

## Galaxy Surveys

- Galaxies, Groups, Clusters & Superclusters:

Tracers of Structure in the Universe

- discrete tracers of underlying density field:

$$n(\vec{x}) \leftrightarrow \rho(\vec{x})$$

- Fair or Biased Tracer ?

## Galaxy Surveys

- Ideal Sample:
  - ~ all sample points have exactly the same properties over complete "survey volume"
- However ...
  - galaxies have different luminosities, sizes, etc.:
  - ~ systematic influence on distribution as function of depth
  - ~ do galaxy properties depend on environment ?

## Galaxy Surveys

- Various selection criteria:
  - + magnitude-limited
  - + angular diameter ~ limited
- Galaxy distribution as tracer cosmic structure:
  - + requirement to understand selection  $\psi(r, \theta, \varphi, \nu, T)$ :
    - sampling rate of galaxies at distance  $r$
    - sky position  $\theta, \varphi$
    - frequency  $\nu$
    - galaxy type  $T$
- Most convenient and best controlled:
  - + selection on basis luminosity/brightness

## Luminosity Function

Large variety of galaxies

- ranging from dwarfs to giant ellipticals
- large range of luminosity/brightness

Luminosity distribution:

$$dn(L) = \phi(L)dL$$

number density of galaxies with luminosity

$$[L, L + dL]$$

PS. Luminosity distribution may depend on various galaxy properties, such as morphological type

## Schechter Luminosity Function

Very good approximate expression for the galaxy luminosity distribution:

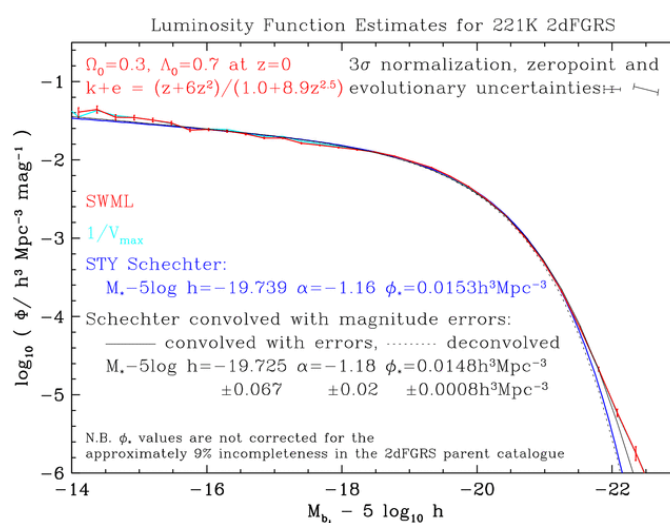
- Schechter Luminosity Function:

$$\phi(L)dL = \phi^* \left( \frac{L}{L_*} \right)^\alpha e^{-L/L_*} d \left( \frac{L}{L_*} \right)$$

- Parameterized by 3 parameters:

$\phi^*$ : normalization density parameter  
 $L_*$ : characteristic luminosity  
 $\alpha$ : faint-end slope

## Schechter Function



## Schechter Luminosity Function

- Mean space density gal's:

$$\langle n \rangle = \int_0^{\infty} \phi(L) dL = \phi^* \int_0^{\infty} s^{\alpha} e^{-s} ds = \phi^* \Gamma(\alpha + 1)$$

- Gamma function:  $\Gamma(z) = \int_0^{\infty} t^{z-1} e^{-t} dt$

- Notice: divergent if  $\alpha < -1$   
(infinite contribution faint gal's)

- Mean Luminosity (from cosmic volume)

$$\langle L \rangle = \int_0^{\infty} L \phi(L) dL = \phi^* L_* \int_0^{\infty} s^{(\alpha+1)} e^{-s} ds = \phi^* L_* \Gamma(\alpha + 2)$$

- divergent only if  $\alpha < -2$

## Schechter Luminosity Function

- 2dFGRs luminosity function:

$$M_* = -19.725$$

$$\alpha = -1.18$$

$$\phi^* = 0.0148 \text{ Mpc}^{-3}$$

- Faint Galaxies dominate number density !!!!!

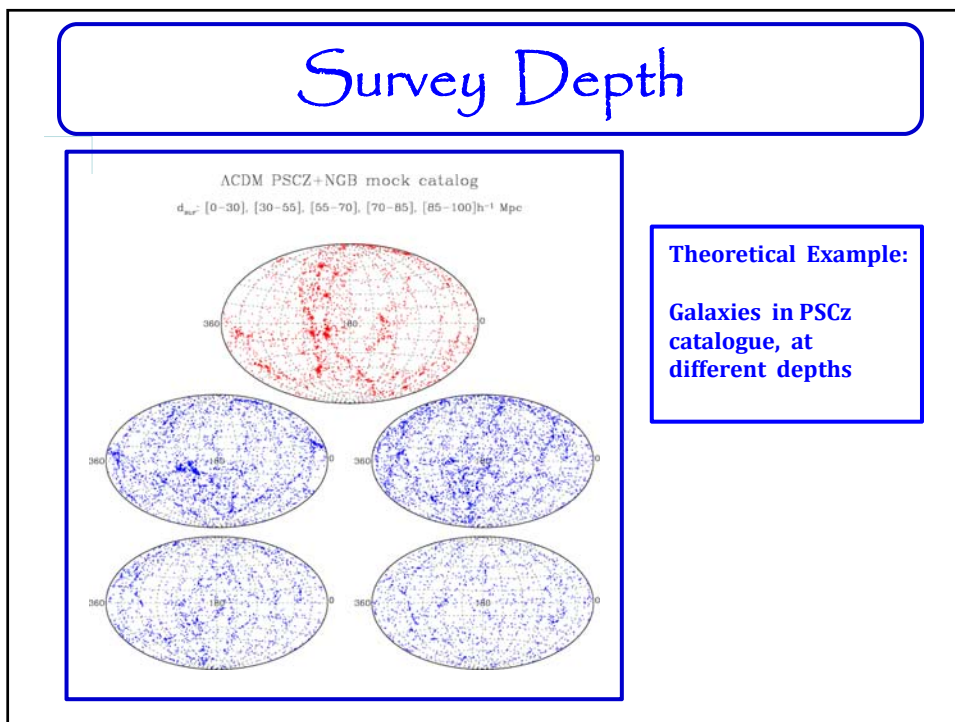
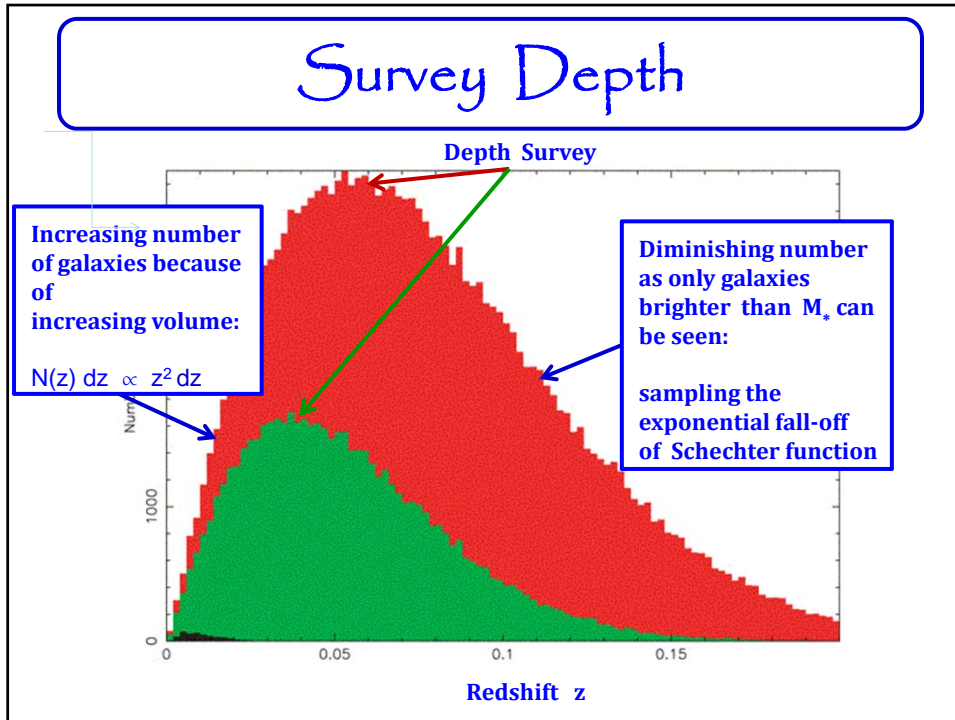
Bright Galaxies determine the luminosity (stars)  
in a cosmic volume !!!!!

## Survey Depth

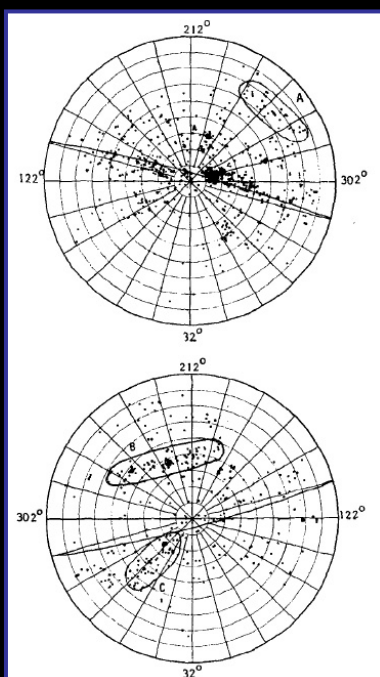
- Most galaxy surveys defined by apparent magnitude limit  $m_{\text{lim}}$
- All galaxies having an apparent brightness higher than that corresponding to  $m_{\text{lim}}$  are included in survey
- Depends on
  - intrinsic brightness/absolute magnitude  $M$
  - (luminosity) distance  $d_L$
  - (- k-correction: shift galaxy spectrum as function redshift  $z$ )
- Absolute Magnitude  $\longleftrightarrow$  Apparent Magnitude
 
$$M = m - 5 \log d_L(z) - 25 - k(z)$$

## Survey Depth

- For a survey with magnitude limit  $m_{\text{lim}}$ :
- At distance  $d_L$  (Mpc) one can see galaxies brighter than:
 
$$M_{\text{lim}} = m_{\text{lim}} - 5 \log d_L(z) - 25 - k(z)$$
- Survey Depth  $d_{\text{sur}}$ :  
distance out to which one can see an  $M_*$  galaxy:
 
$$\log d_{\text{sur}} = 0.2(m_{\text{lim}} - M_*) + 5 + 0.2k(z)$$



# Sky Maps: world all around us



## Early Views

Shapley-Ames catalog (1932) of nearby galaxies:

All-sky survey of galaxies to  $m=18.3$

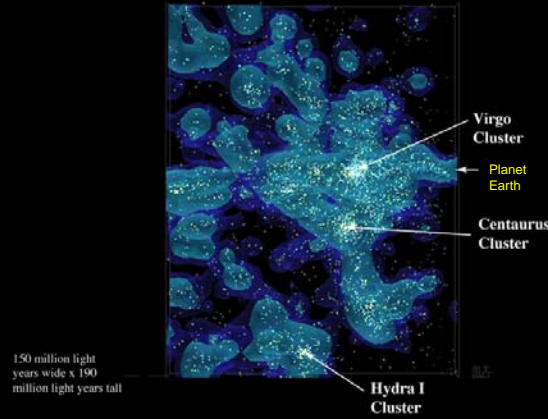
$$\delta > -23^\circ$$

- numerous concentrations:  
groups and clusters (incl. Virgo cluster)
- asymmetry between north and south:  
many more galaxies on northern sky
- conspicuous concentration along a line  
running through richest nearby cluster,  
the Virgo cluster:
- The Supergalactic Plane  
(first identified by de Vaucouleurs:  
the plane of our own Local Supercluster)



# The Local Supercluster

End-on View of the Local Supercluster:



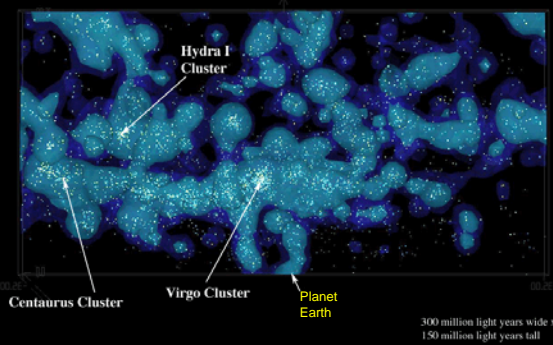
Courtesy: B. Tully

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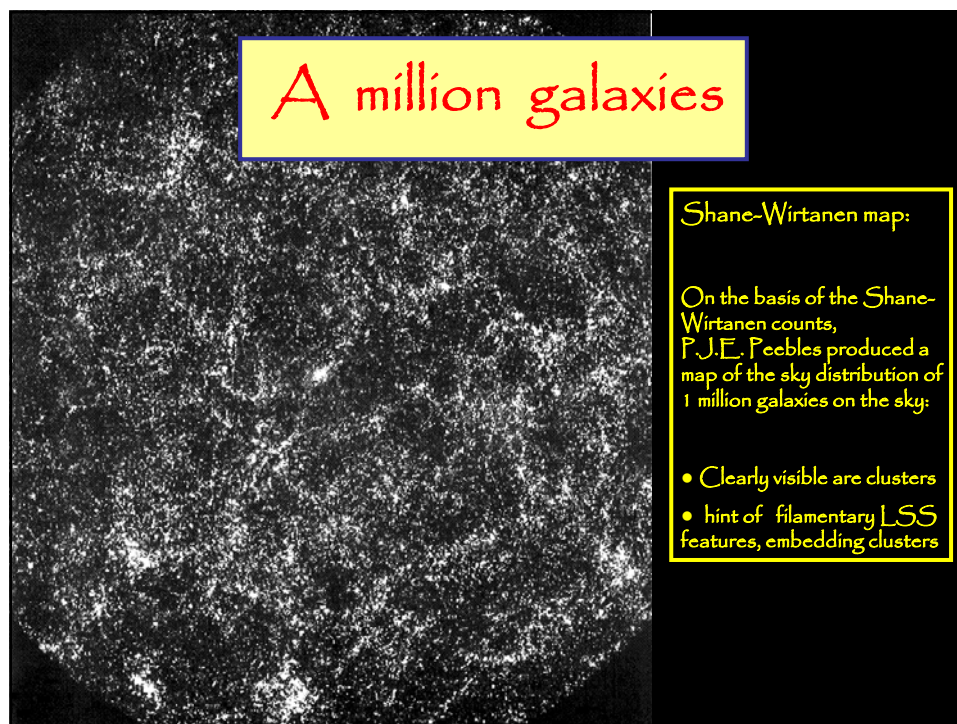
Polar View of Local Supercluster:



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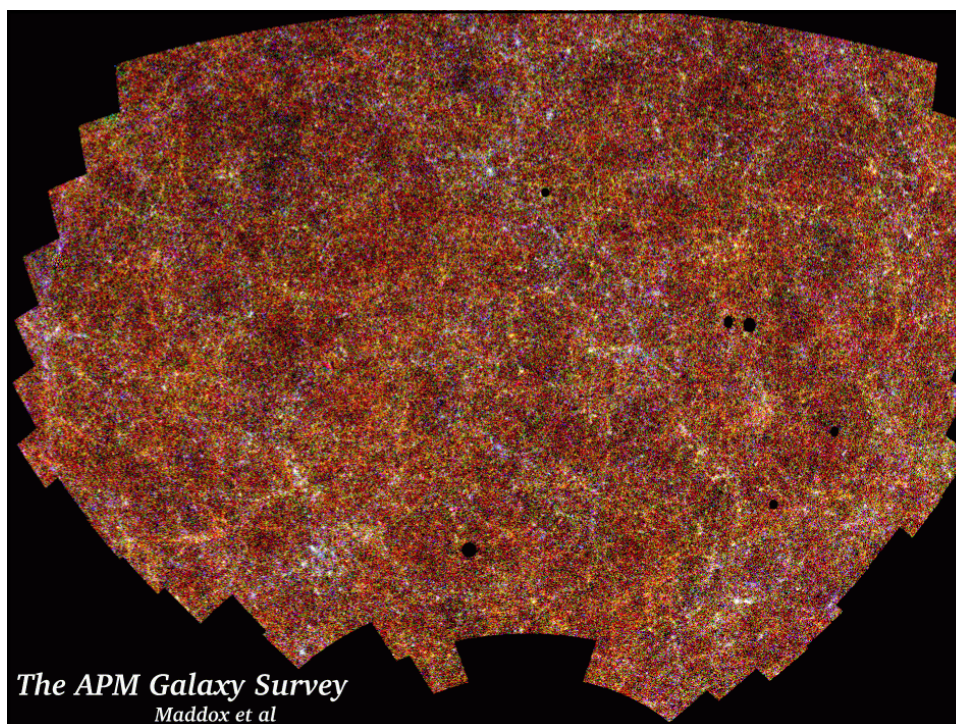
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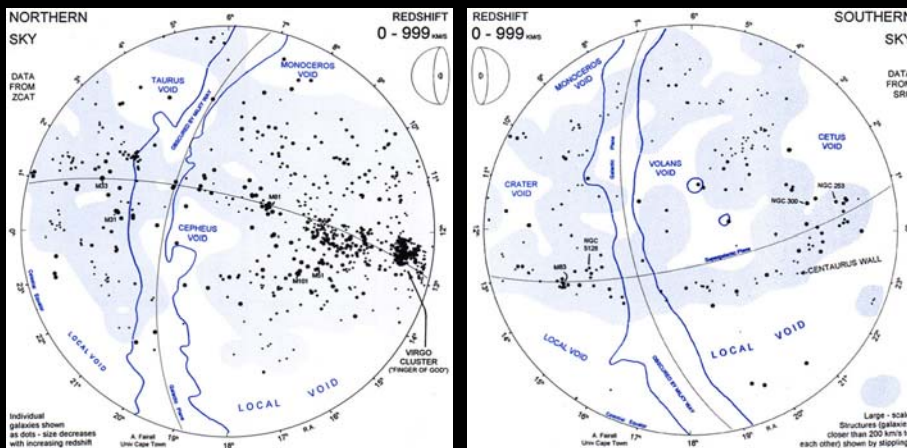
## APM survey

- Sky map:
  - $2 \times 10^6$  galaxies
  - $17 < m < 20.5$
- Uniformly defined
- Sky region:
  - 4300 sq. deg.
  - 185 UK Schmidt plates,  $6^\circ \times 6^\circ$
- Large inhomogeneities, hints of weblike patterns, with clusters at densest regions.

courtesy: S. Maddox, G. Efstathiou,  
W. Sutherland, D. Loveday

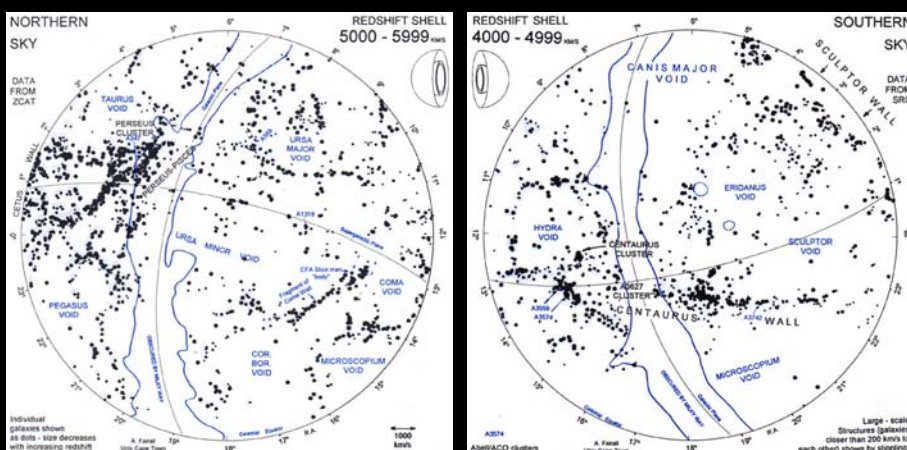


## Local Views

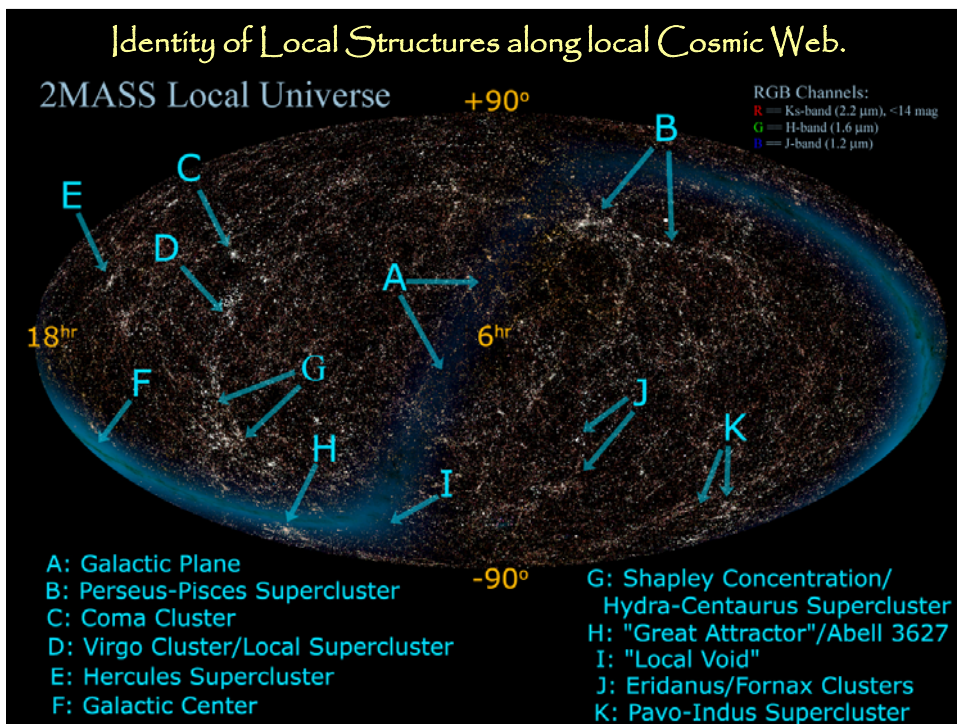
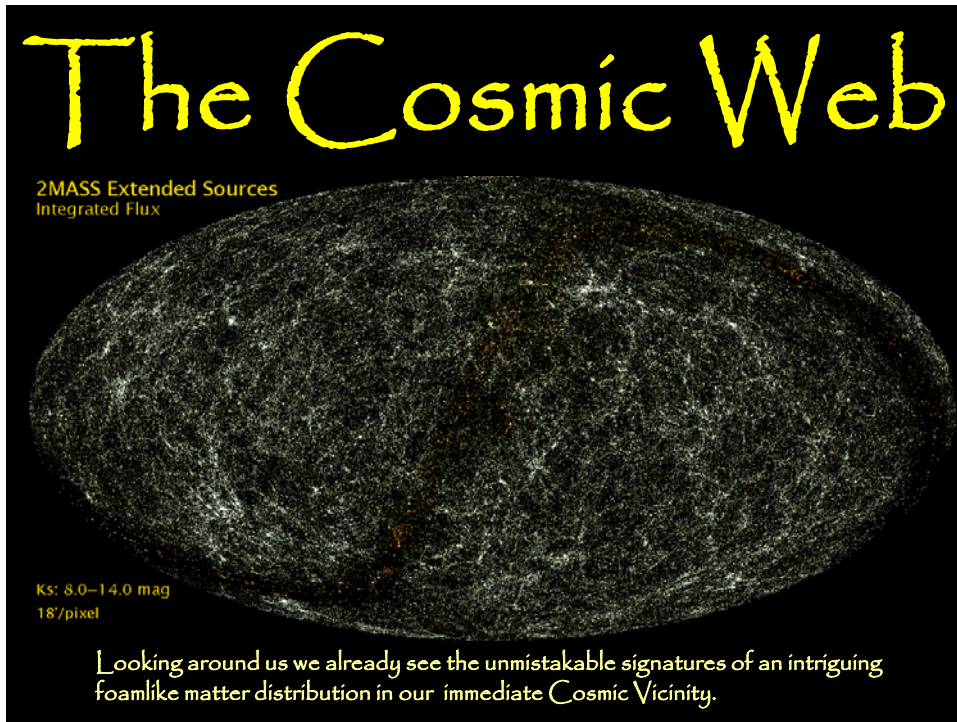


Tony Fairall's nearby LSS map: Local Supercluster clearly visible at  $v < 999$  km/s

## Local Views: Moving into Foam



Tony Fairall's nearby LSS map: at  $cz=5000-5999$  km/s clear views of local cosmic web



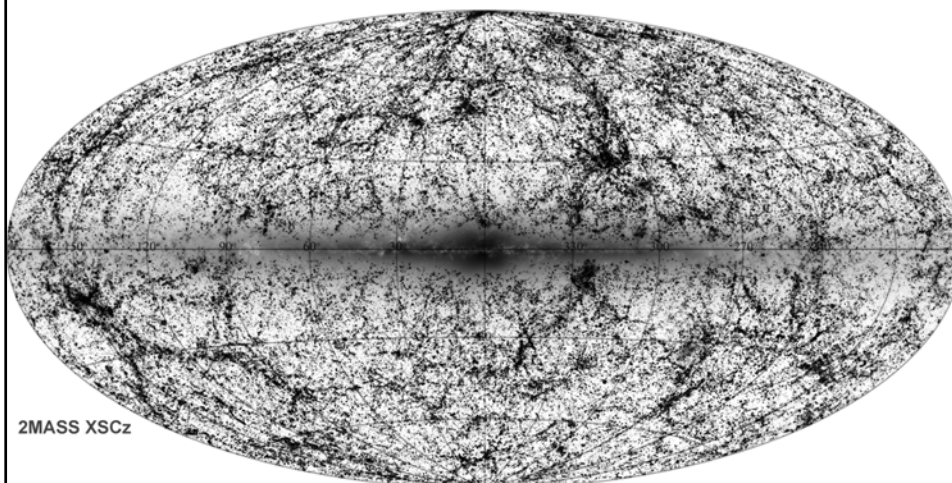
## 2MASS survey

- 2MASS all-sky survey:  
ground-based near-infrared survey whole sky,  
J( $1.2\ \mu\text{m}$ ), H( $1.6\ \mu\text{m}$ ), K( $2.2\ \mu\text{m}$ )
- 2MASS extended source catalog (XSC):  
1.5 million galaxies
- unbiased sample nearby galaxies
- photometric redshifts: depth in 2MASS maps,  
“cosmic web” of (nearby) superclusters spanning  
the entire sky.

courtesy:

T. Jarrett

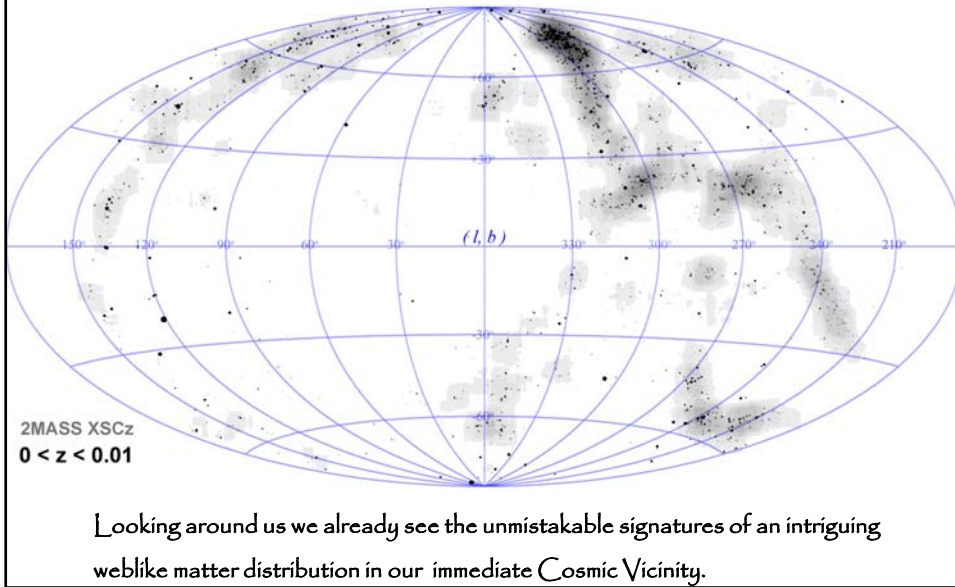
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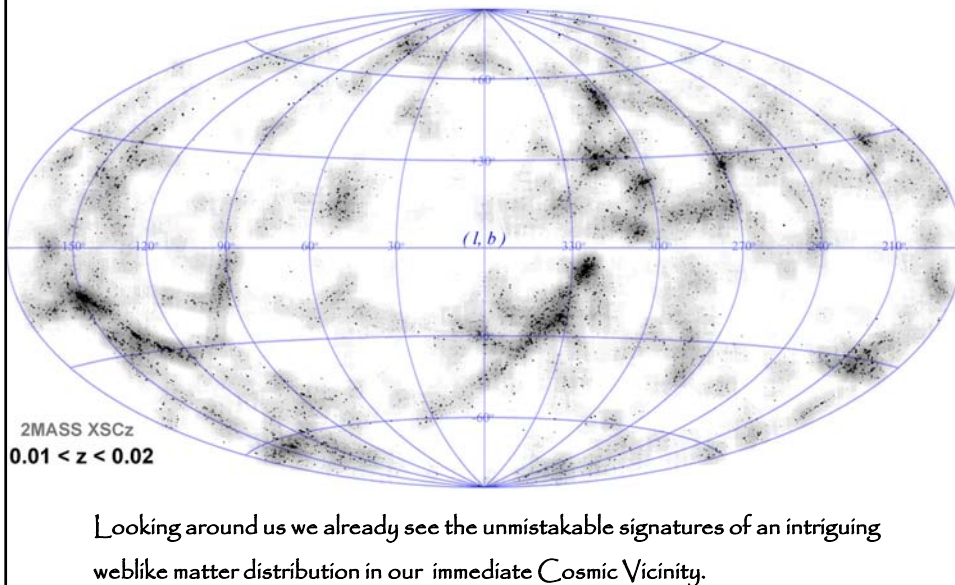
2MASS XSCz

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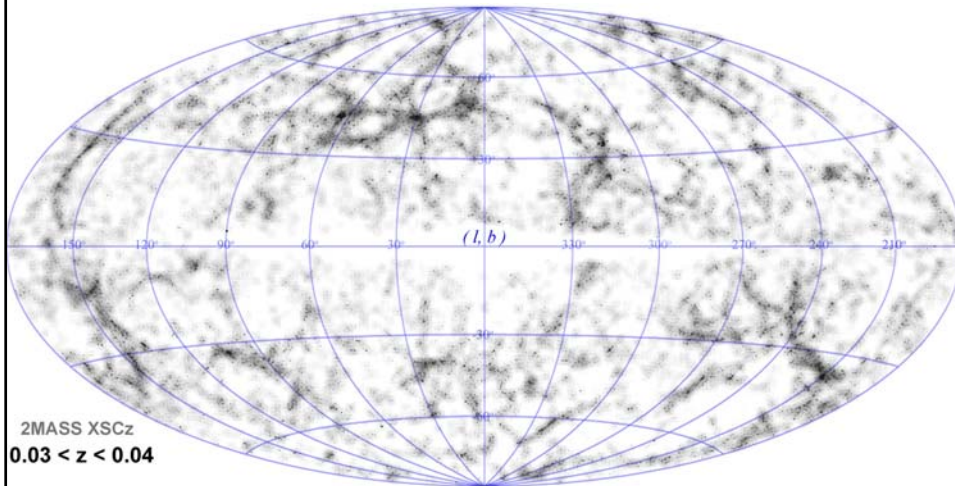
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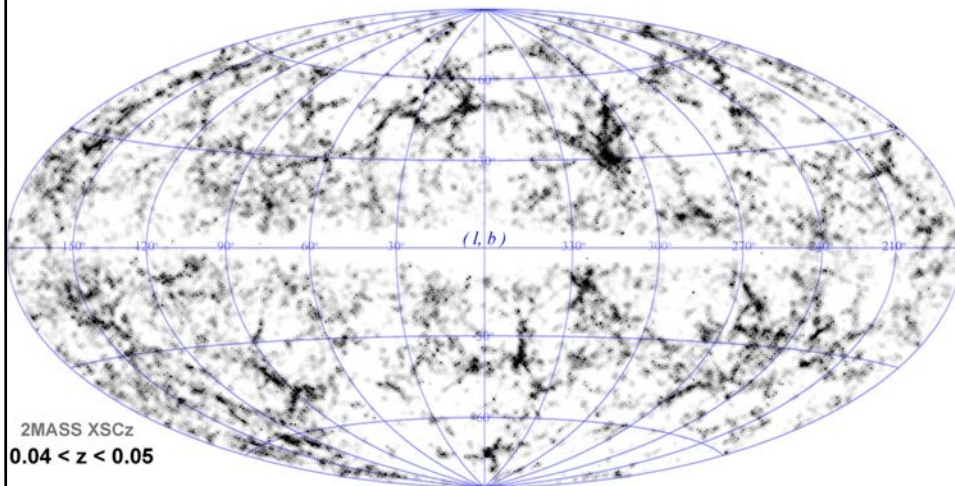
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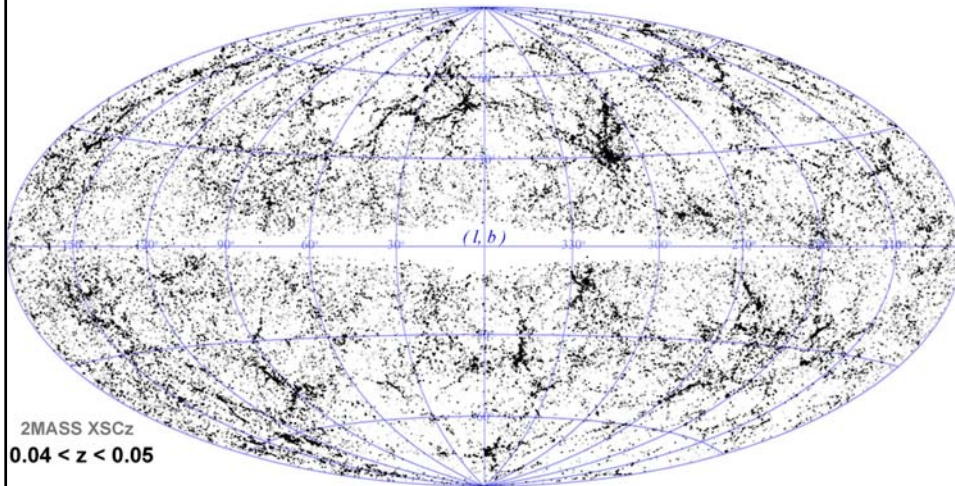


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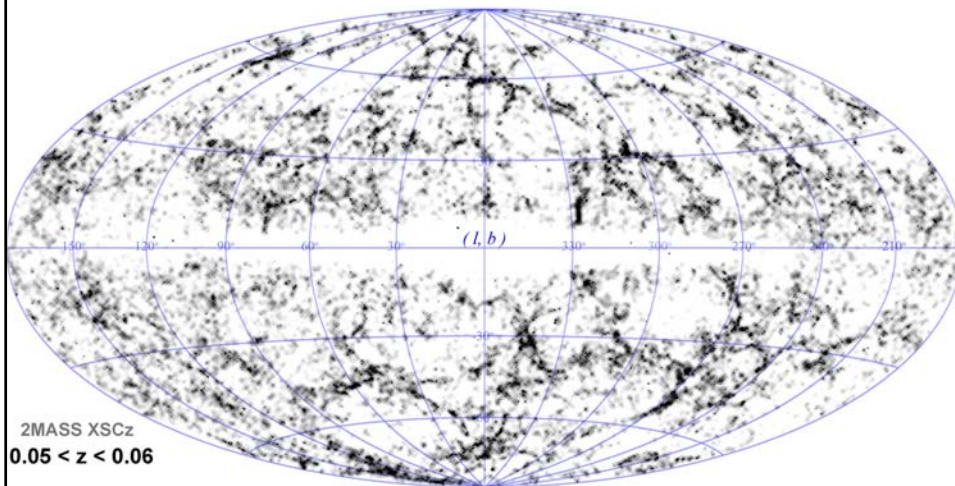
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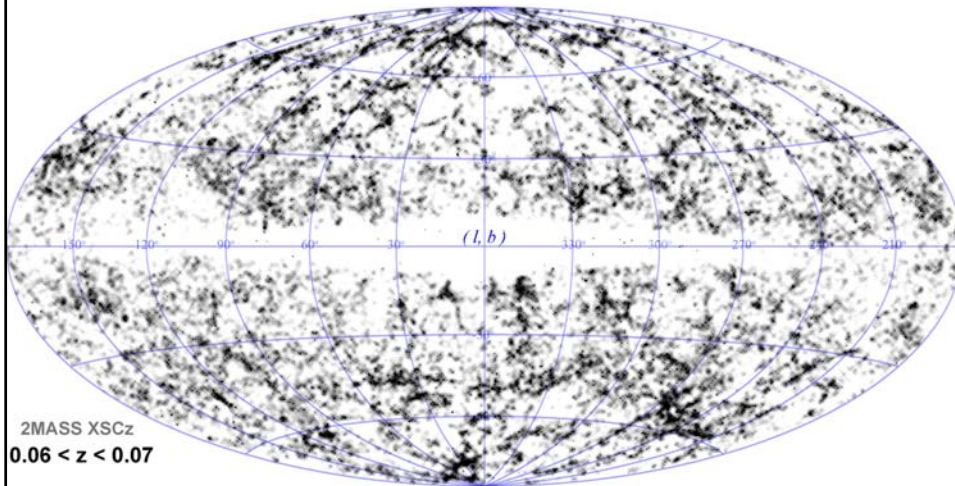
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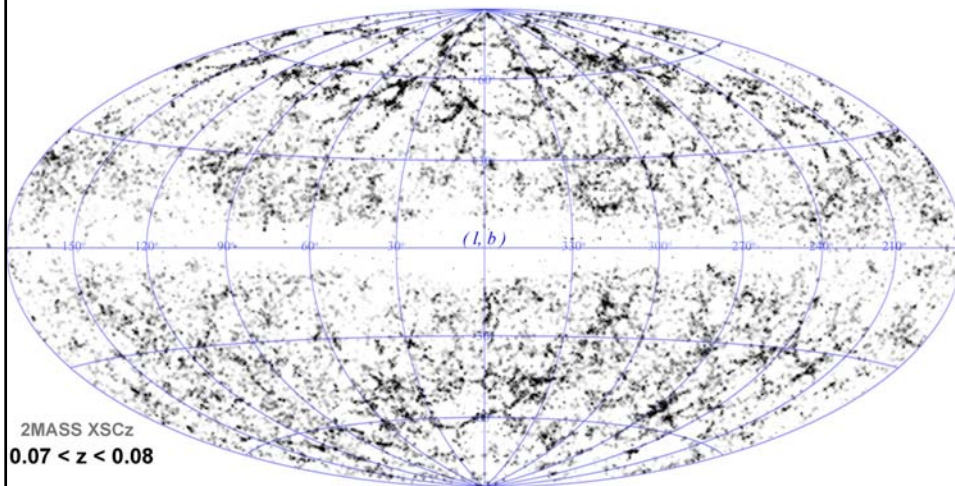
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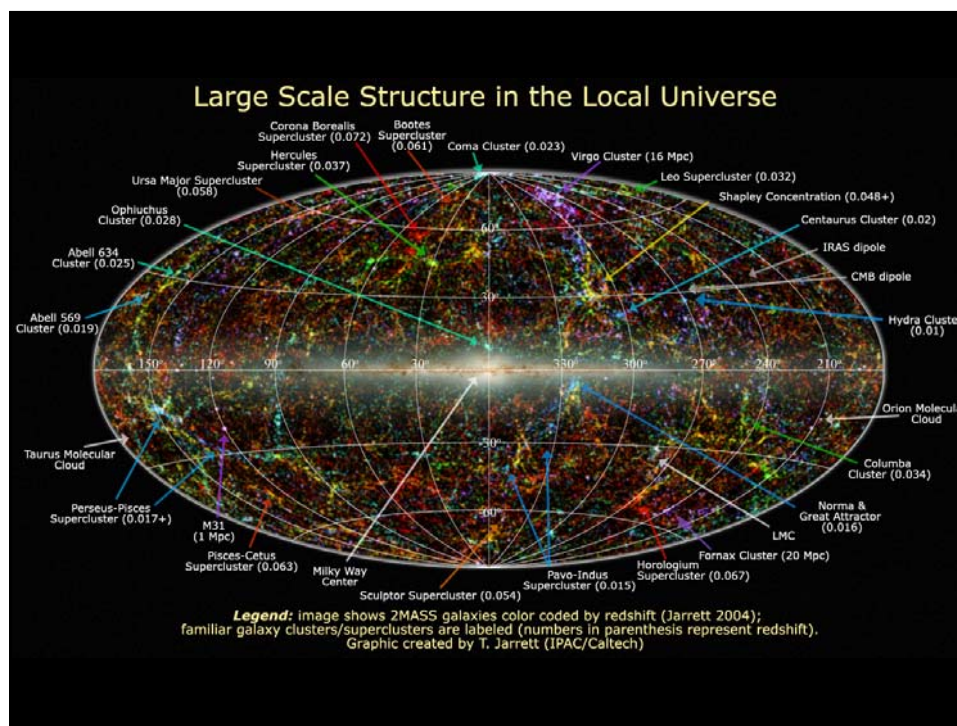
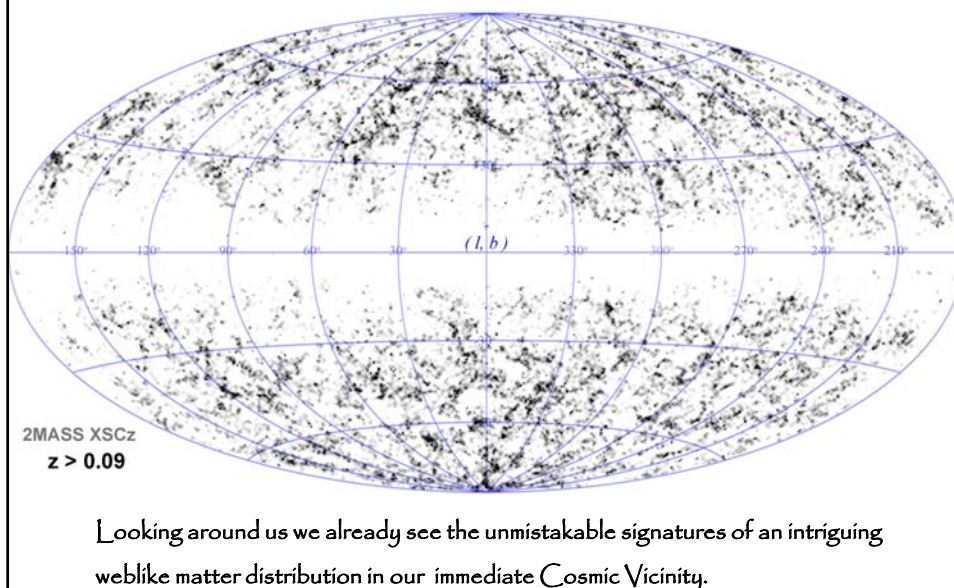
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# Galaxy Redshift Surveys

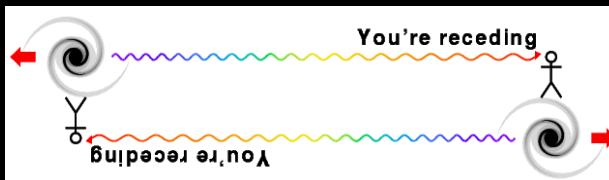
## Galaxy Redshift Surveys

- For obtaining 3D maps of the galaxy distribution:  
measure spatial location of galaxies:
  - position on the sky  $(\alpha, \delta)$
  - distance  $r$
- Determination real distance  $r$  of galaxy very cumbersome, reasonably accurate estimates only for nearby gal's ...
- Common approximate method:  
exploit Hubble expansion of the Universe

## Galaxy Redshift Surveys

$$1 + z = \frac{1}{a} \iff \begin{cases} \lambda_{em} = \lambda_0 \\ \lambda_{obs} = \frac{a(t_{obs})}{a(t_{em})} \lambda_0 \end{cases}$$

$$z \equiv \frac{\lambda_{obs} - \lambda_{em}}{\lambda_{em}}$$



## Galaxy Redshift Surveys

- Hubble Expansion:

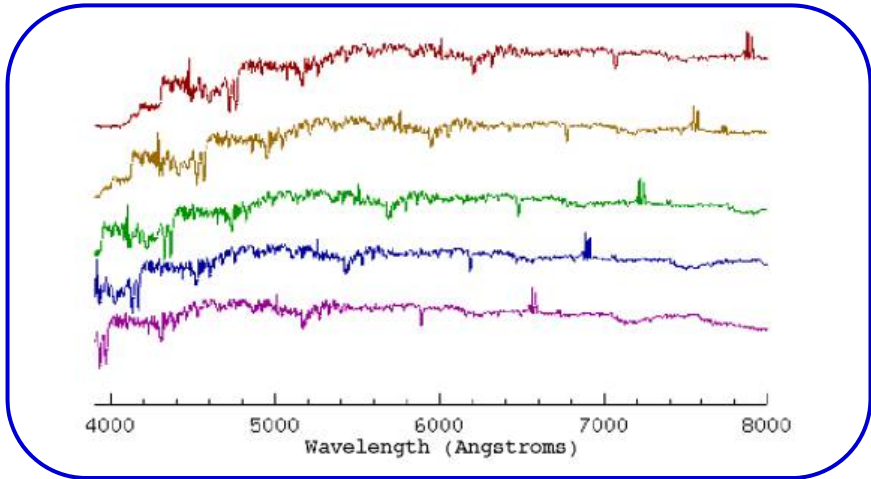
$$cz = Hr \quad (z \ll 1)$$

galaxy at distance  $r$   
has redshift  $z$   
( $c$ : vel. light;  $H$ : Hubble constant)

- Redshift of galaxies can be much more easily determined than distance:

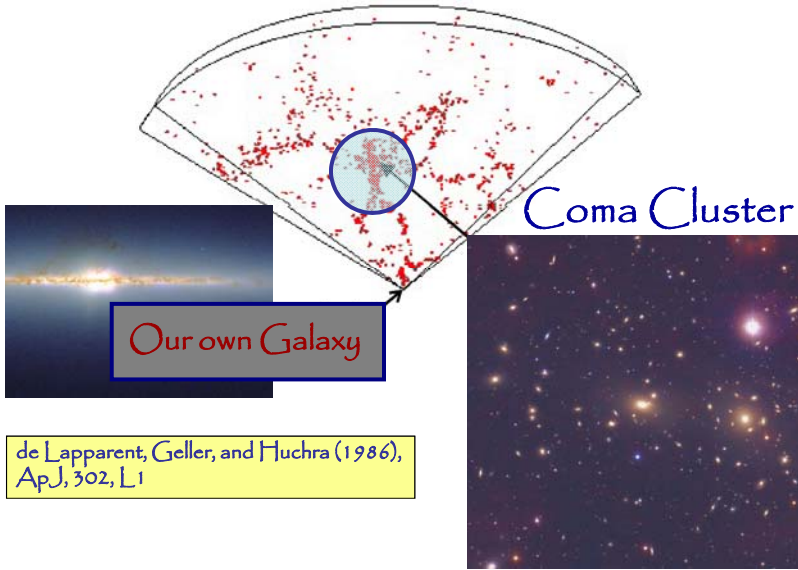
Galaxy Spectrum

# Galaxy Redshift Surveys



Examples of redshifted galaxy spectra

# Mapping the Universe



## Redshift Space Distortions

### Redshift Distortions

- In reality, galaxies do not exactly follow the Hubble flow:

In addition to the cosmological flow, there are locally induced velocity components in a galaxy's motion:

$$cz = Hr + v_{pec}$$

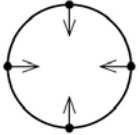



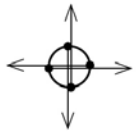

the galaxy's peculiar velocity  $v_{pec}$

- As a result, maps on the basis of galaxy  $z$  do not reflect the galaxies' true spatial distribution

## Redshift Distortions

Origin of peculiar velocities:  
three regimes

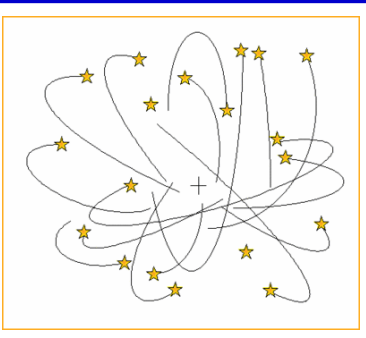
- very high-density virialized cluster (core) regions: "thermal" motion in cluster, up to > 1000 km/s
- "Fingers of God"
- collapsing overdensity (forming cluster): inflow/infall velocity
- Large scales: (linear, quasi-linear) cosmic flow, manifestation of structure growth

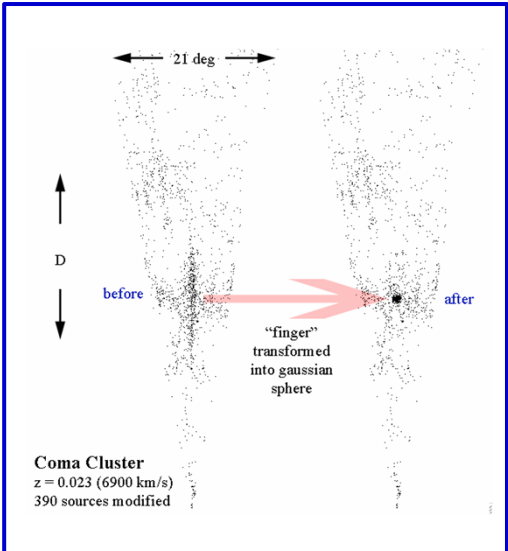
Real space:	Redshift space:
 Linear regime	 Squashing effect
 Turnaround	 Collapsed
 Collapsing	 Finger-of-god

## Fingers of God

$$cz = Hr_{clust} + \frac{\vec{v}_{gal} \cdot \vec{r}_{gal}}{r_{gal}}$$

Galaxy velocity component along line of sight





Coma Cluster  
z = 0.023 (6900 km/s)  
390 sources modified



# Fingers of God

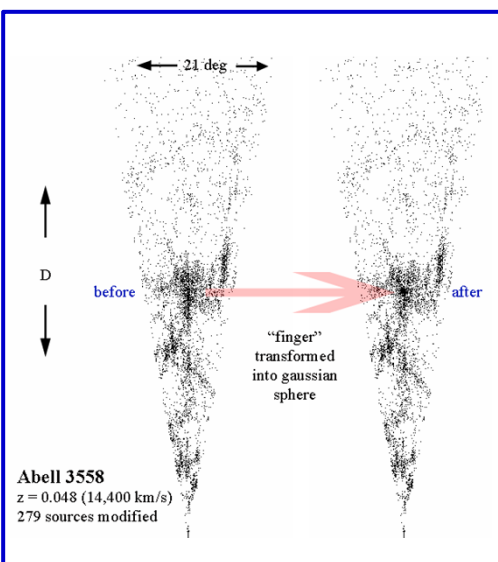
## Clusters of galaxies:

Mass:  $10^{14}$ - $10^{15} M_{\odot}$   
 Radius:  $\sim 1.5$  Mpc  
 Overdensity  $\Delta \sim 1000$

Thermal velocity:  $\sim 1000$  km/s

Internal cluster galaxy velocities visible in projection along line of sight

→ "Finger of God"



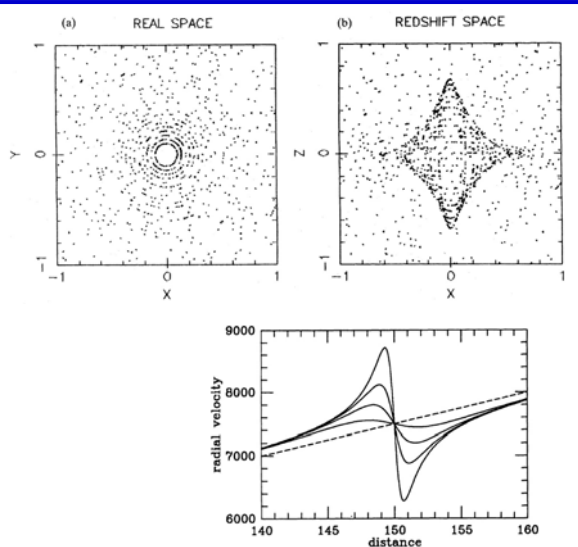
# Nonlinear Infall Pattern

## Cluster Infall:

Matter in surroundings falling in onto cluster

- infall velocities up to 1000 km/s radially declining;
- velocities decrease as distance to cluster centre increases
- projected radial velocity function of angle & distance wrt. cluster centre.

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- triple-value region redshift space: - within turnaround radius, a particular redshift  $z$  may correspond to 3 spatial positions



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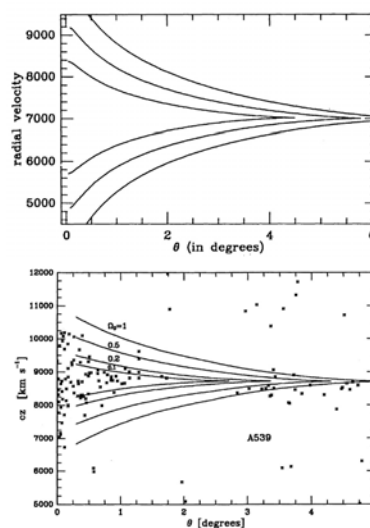
### Cluster Caustics:

Three-value region cluster infall:

Projection onto restricted cone-shaped redshift space regions around clusters

Enclosed within caustic surfaces

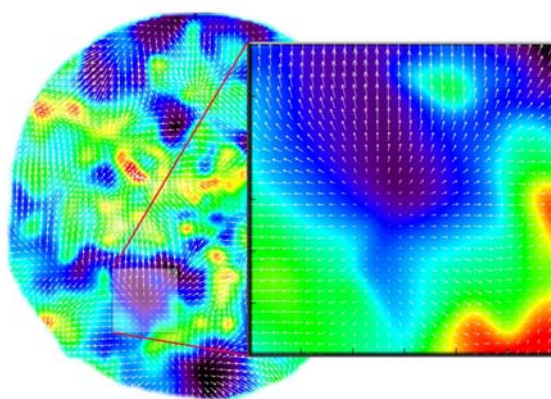
Position caustics dependent on  $\Omega_m$



## Large Scale Flows

### Large-Scale Flows:

- On large (Mpc) scales, structure formation still in linear regime
- Structure buildup accompanied by displacement of matter:
  - Cosmic flows
- Directly related to cosmic matter distribution
- In principle possible to correct for this distortion, ie. to invert the mapping from real to redshift space
- Condition: entire mass distribution within volume should be mapped



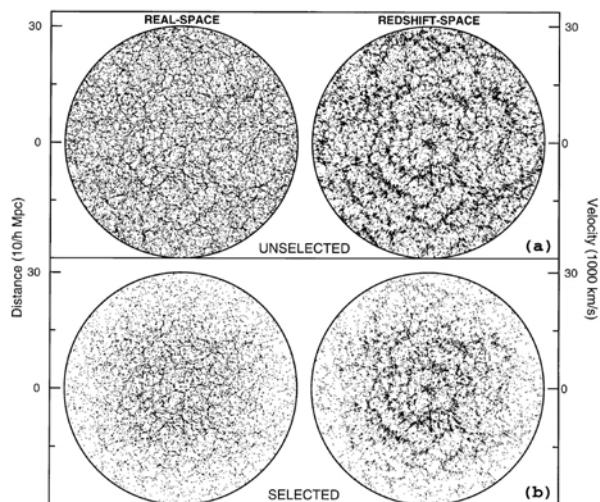
$$\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \frac{H}{4\pi} \frac{f(\Omega_m)}{b} a \int d\mathbf{x}' \delta_{gal}(\mathbf{x}', t) \frac{(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x})}{|\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}|^3}$$

## Large Scale Flows

### Large-Scale Flows:

The induced large scale peculiar velocities translate into extra contributions to the redshift of the galaxies

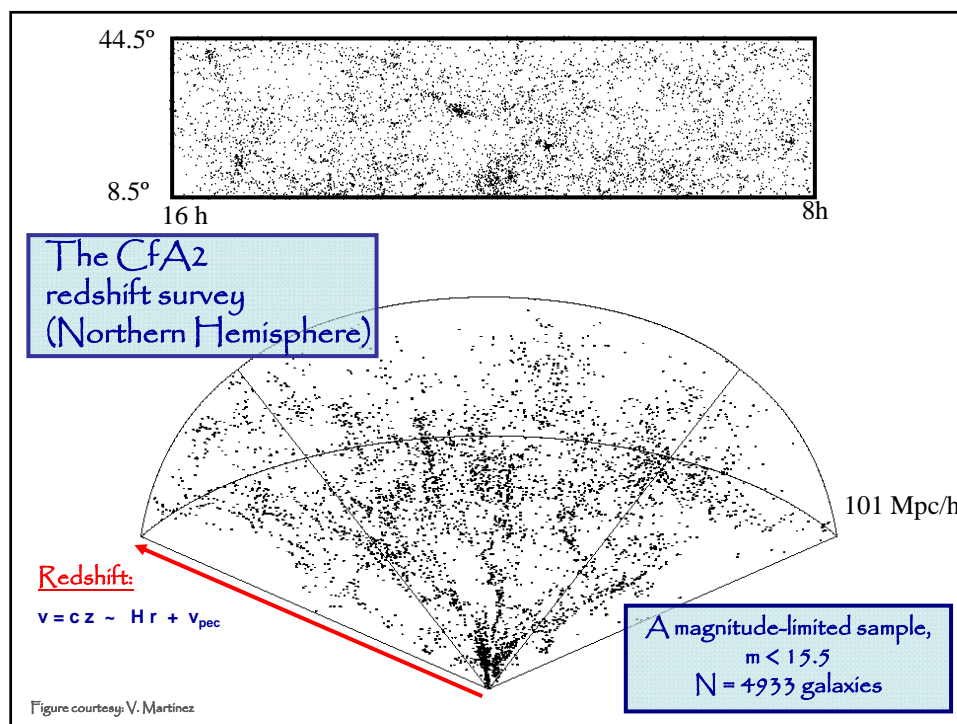
Compare "real space" structure vs. "redshift space" structure

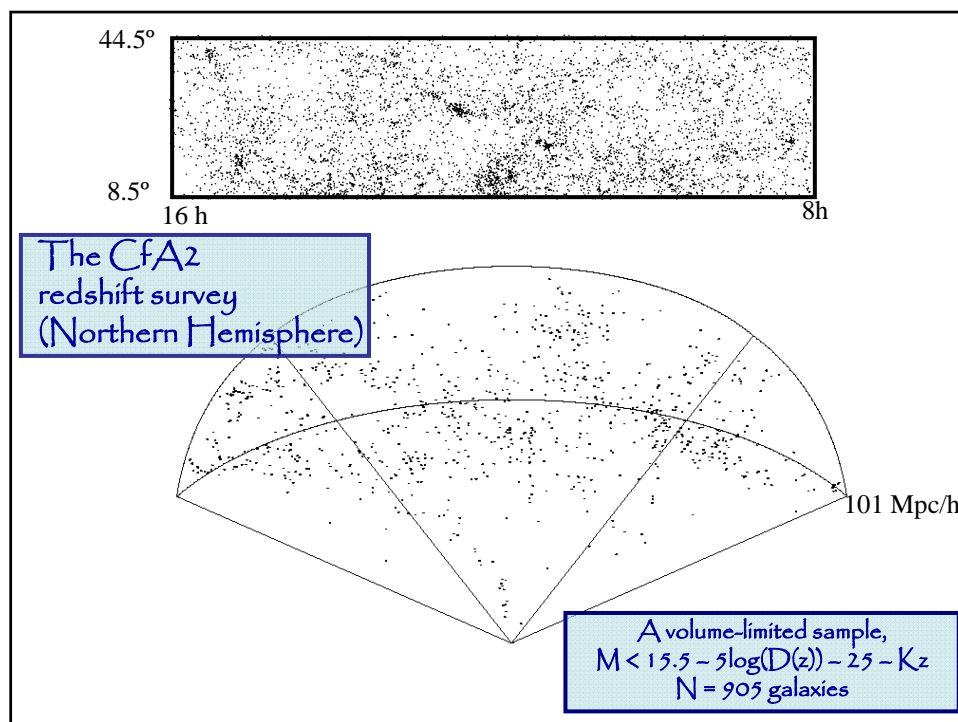


Magnitude vs. Volume Limited

## Magnitude vs. Volume limited Surveys

- Two different sampling approaches for analysis spatial structure from galaxy redshift catalogue:
- Volume-limited surveys:
  - uniform spatial coverage, including all galaxies within volume to depth  $d_s$
  - all galaxies with an absolute brightness  $>$  survey limit  $M_s$
$$M_s = m_{\text{lim}} - 5 \log d_s - 25 - k(z)$$
  - diminishing sampling density & spatial resolution as one wishes to include larger volume (excluding all galaxies  $M > M_s$ )
- Magnitude-limited survey
  - include all galaxies with apparent magnitude brighter than  $m_s$
  - assures optimal use of spatial galaxy catalogue
  - at the price of a non-uniform spatial coverage & diminishing resolution towards higher depths





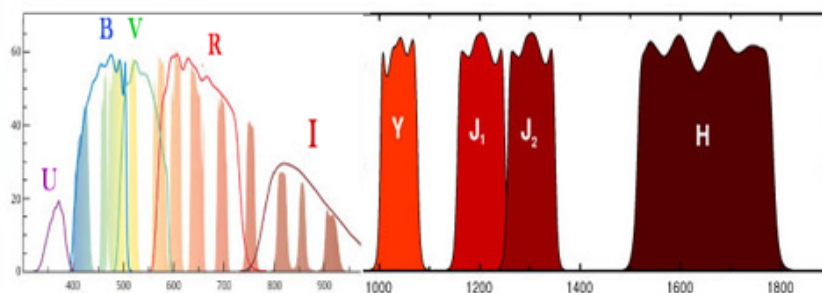
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- Instead of measuring the electromagnetic spectrum of the galaxies in a survey, one may get a good estimate of the redshift on the basis of the photometry and colours of the objects.

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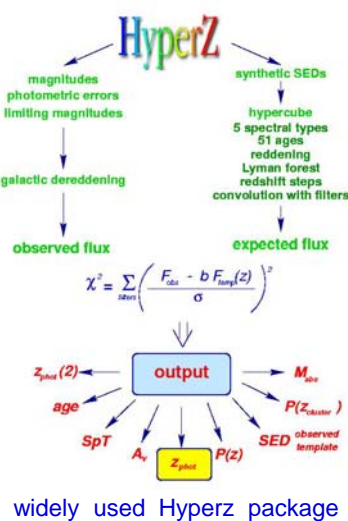
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## Photometric Redshifts

Practical Implementation:

- Photometric redshifts determined by fitting to standard SED (SED: spectral energy distribution)
- Taking into account:
  - spectral type
  - reddening
  - Lyman $\alpha$  forest (high z!)
  - filters
- Accuracy (typical):
  - $\Delta z \sim 0.1$



# Photometric Redshifts

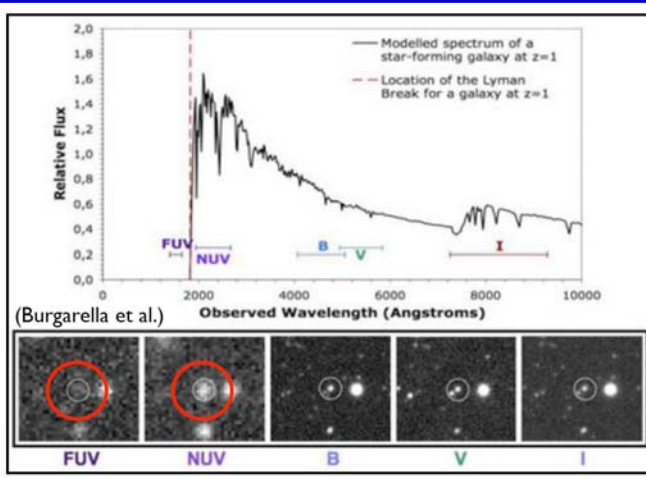
## Photometric Redshifts

Technique widely used for identifying high z objects

For example, Lyman break results

in

FUV-NUV dropouts (1400-1800 Å) for  $z \sim 0.5-1.0$

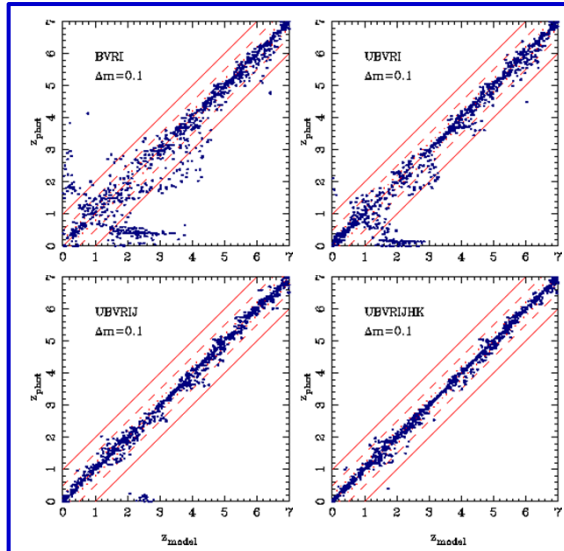


Below the Lyman break at 912 Å, hydrogen absorbs galaxy light

# Photometric Redshifts

## Photometric Redshifts:

- Accuracy (typical):  $\Delta z \sim 0.1$
- Accuracy higher as more bands are used
- Bands to be chosen to take into account spectral characteristics/features
- eg. low z: UV still weak point

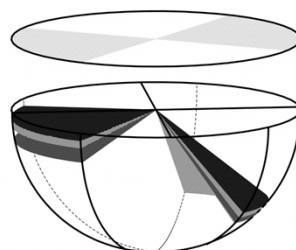


# Survey Geometry

## Survey Geometry

### Practical Limitations

- Limited telescope time
- Limited detector sensitivity
- How to optimally sample structure in Universe?
- Devise survey geometry that reveals optimal amount of information on question at hand
- Patterns galaxy distribution
- Distribution high-density peaks
- Density Field



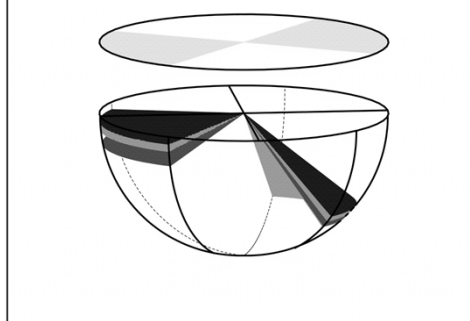
Sky Location  
2-D LCRS survey slices



## Survey Geometry

### Survey Geometry:

- Slice Surveys:
  - thin stripe on sky
  - very sensitive to reveal patterns galaxy distribution
- Pencil-beam surveys
  - very narrow region on sky
  - very deep
  - strategy to probe largest structures
  - structure at high  $z$  (early times)



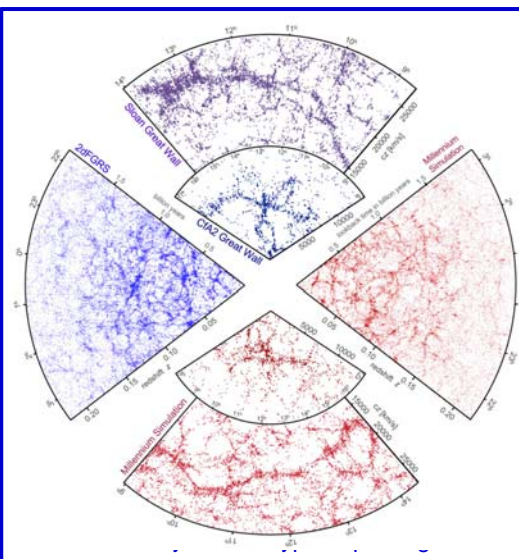
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## Survey Geometries

### Examples of

### Slice Redshift Surveys:

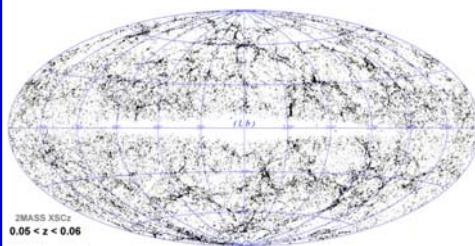
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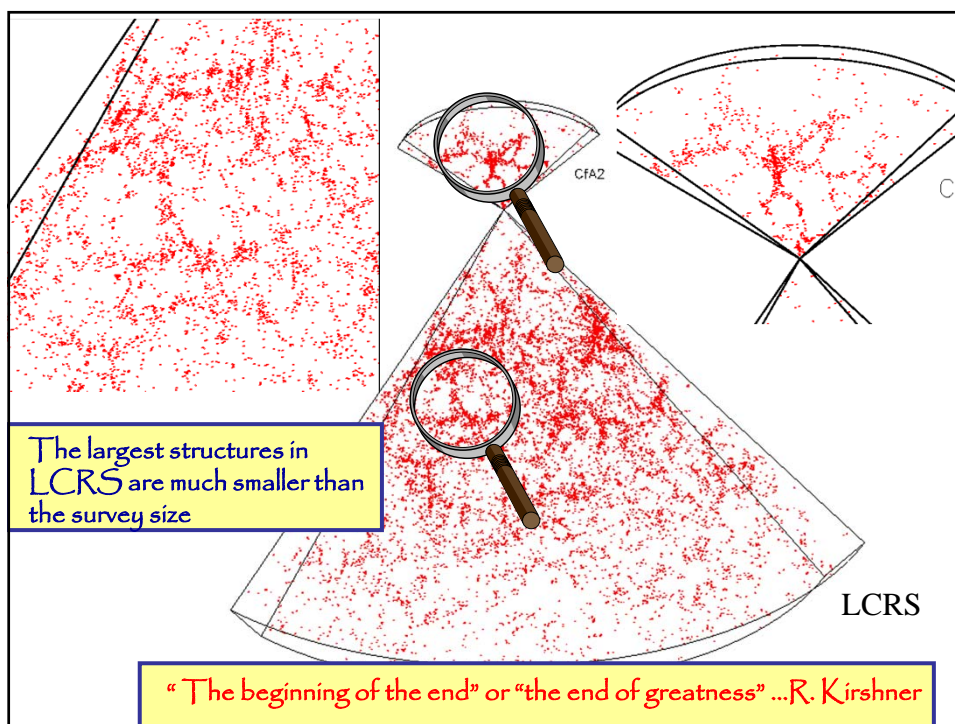
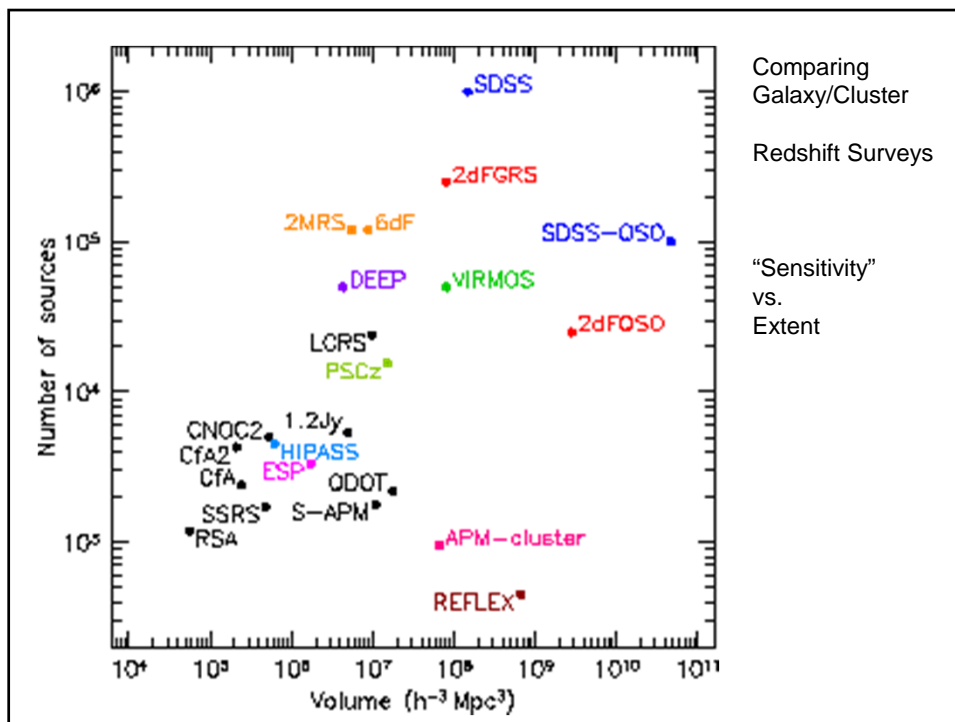
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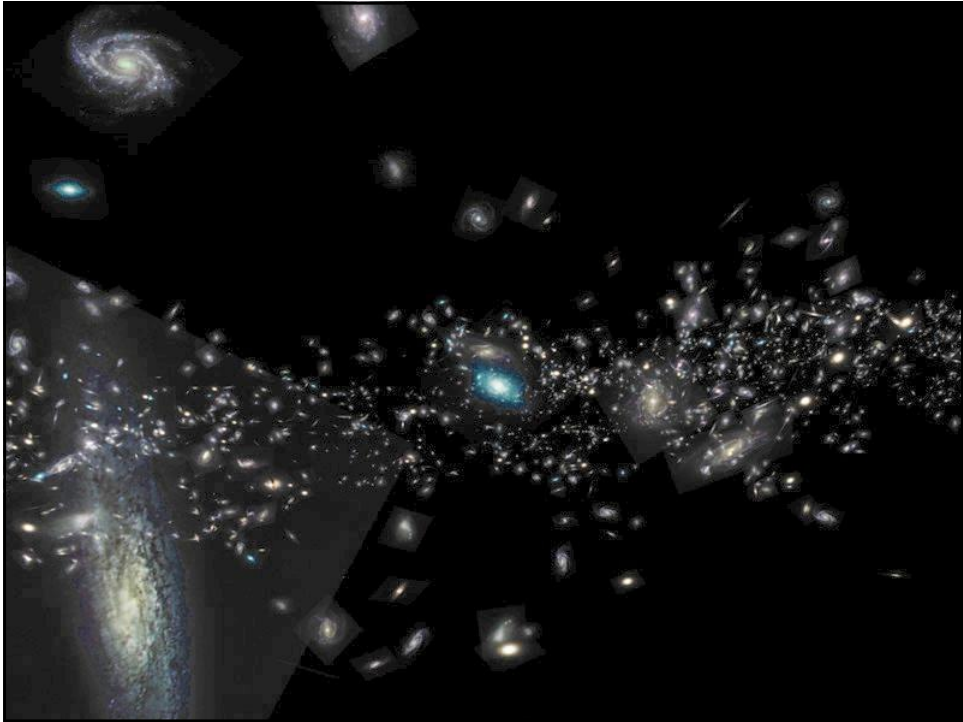
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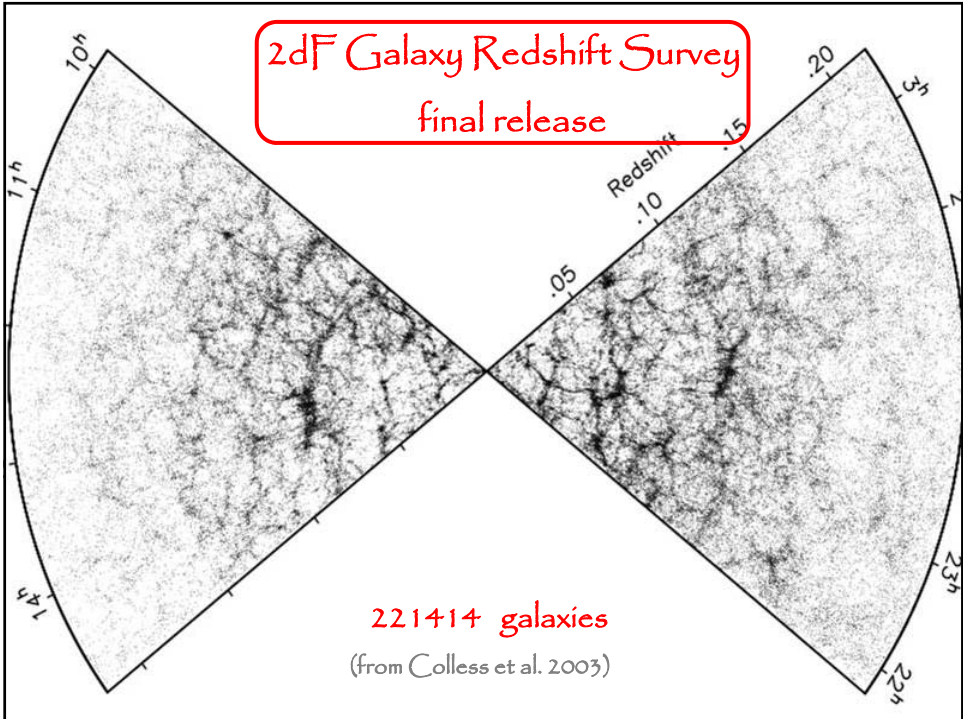
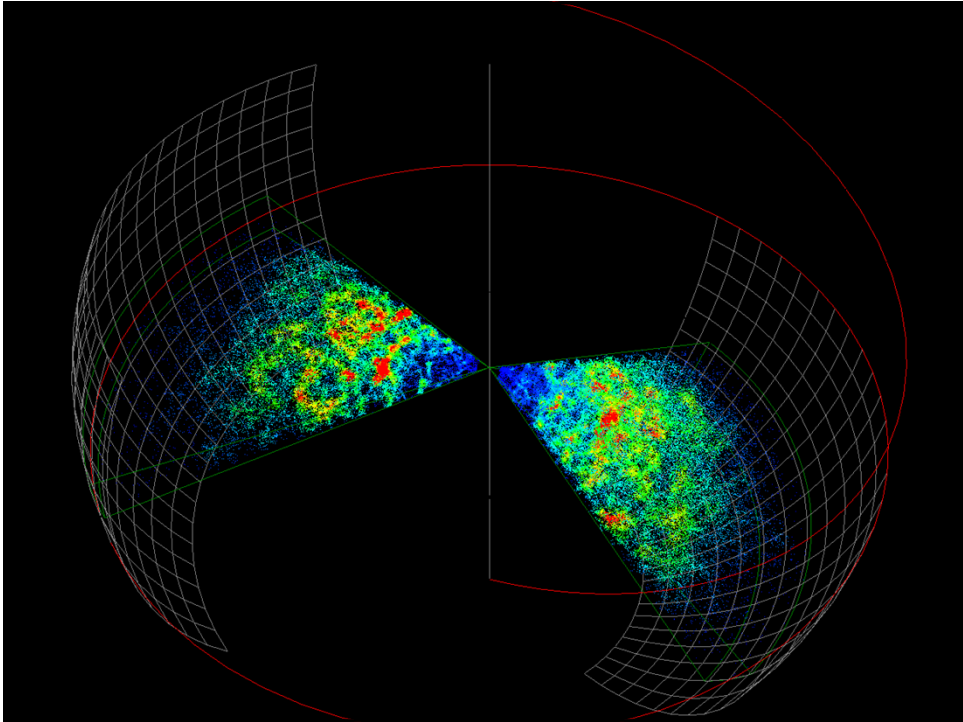
- Sparse Sample:
  - sampling density field
  - on scales  $\gg$  intergalaxy distance
- Full-sky surveys
  - necessary to probe dynamics cosmic regions

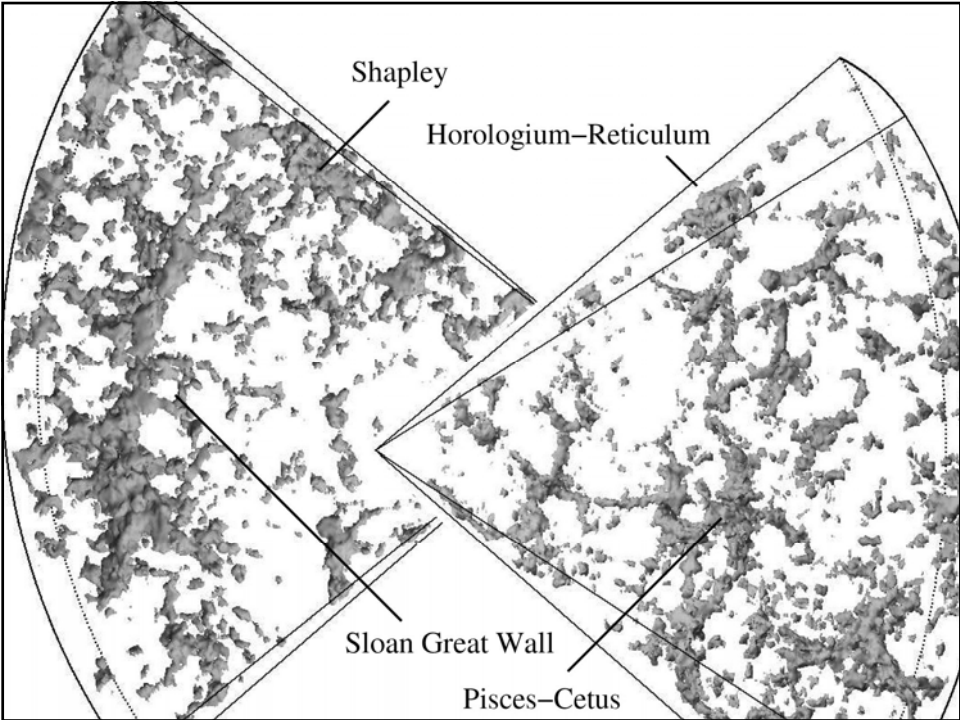


## Galaxy Redshift Surveys: Overview









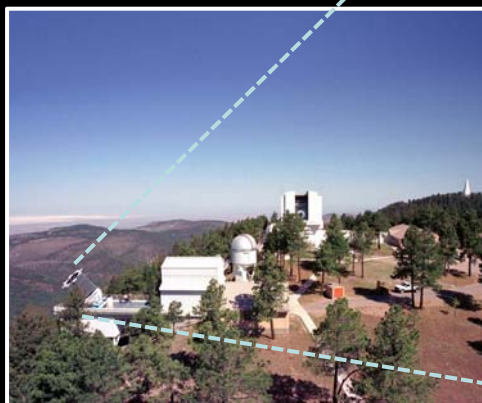
## SDSS survey

- Largest and most systematic (digital!) sky survey in history of astronomy.
- Images sky in 5 photometric bands !!!!  
Down to apparent magnitude  $r \sim 23.1$
- Covers  $\sim 25\%$  of the sky: 8452 sq. deg.
- With 2dFGRS, the SDSS will produce the most extensive map of the spatial structure of our cosmic neighbourhood.
- Million galaxies subsequently selected for measuring redshift  $z$ : electromagnetic spectrum
- Total:
 

sky survey:	$10^8$ stars,	$10^8$ galaxies,	$10^5$ quasars
spectroscopy:	$10^6$ galaxies,	$10^5$ quasars,	$10^5$ stars

## SDSS survey

Specially dedicated  
2.5m wide-angle telescope  
Apache Point Observatory (New Mexico)



# SDSS survey

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DR7 - 8423 sq. deg.

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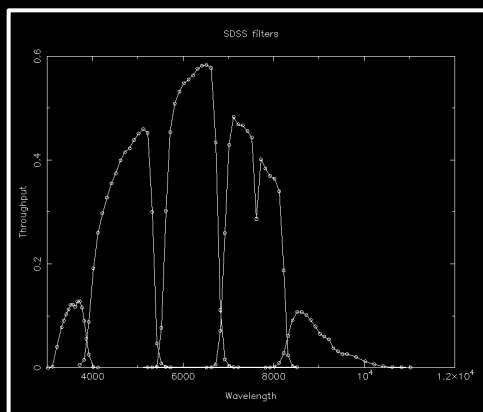
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Driftscan mode

- 5 filters:
- 30 CCD chips, 5 rows of 6
- S/N ~ 5
- CCD chip: 2048x2048 pixels
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- up to 640 (fibers) per recording
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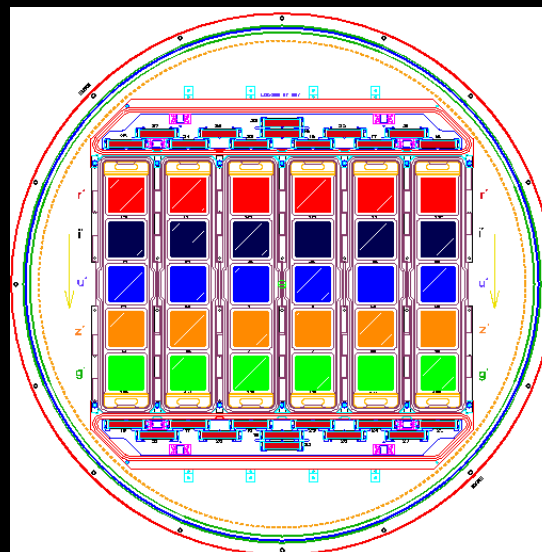
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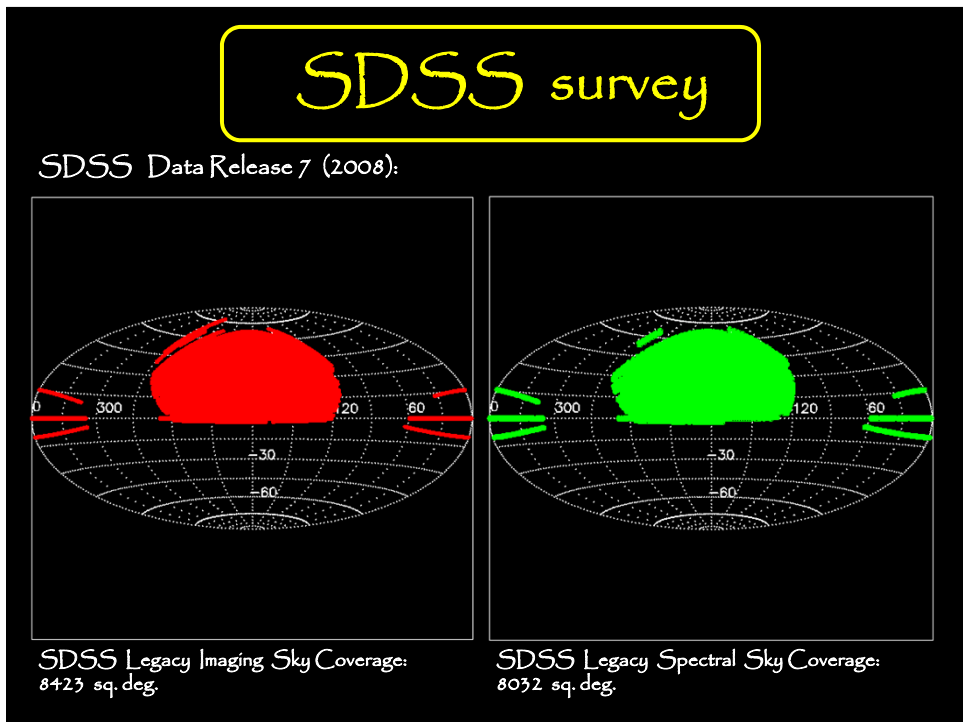
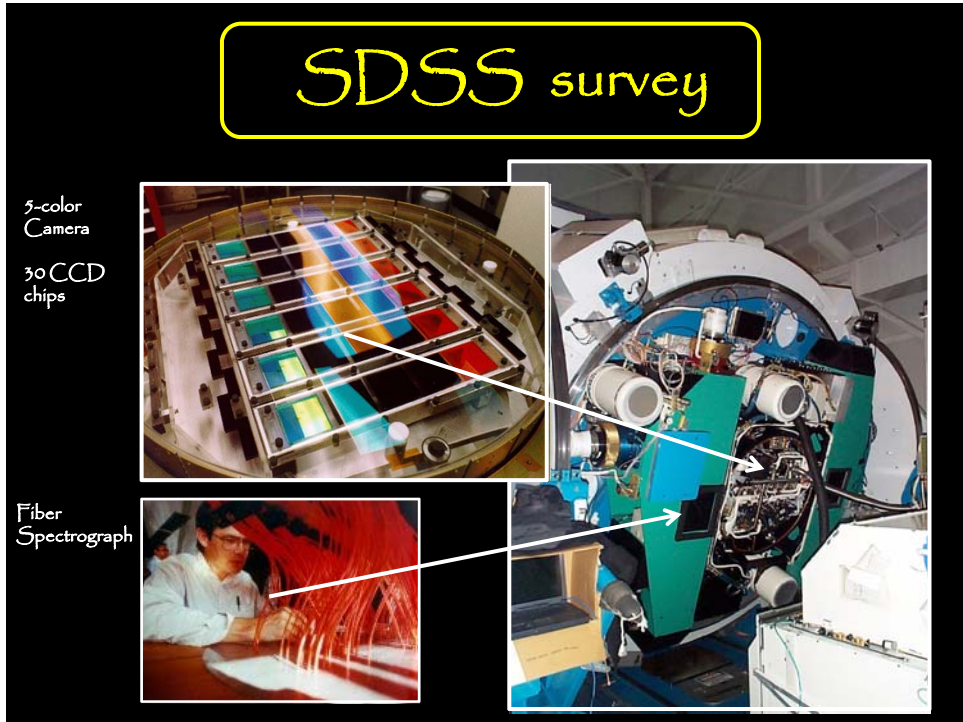
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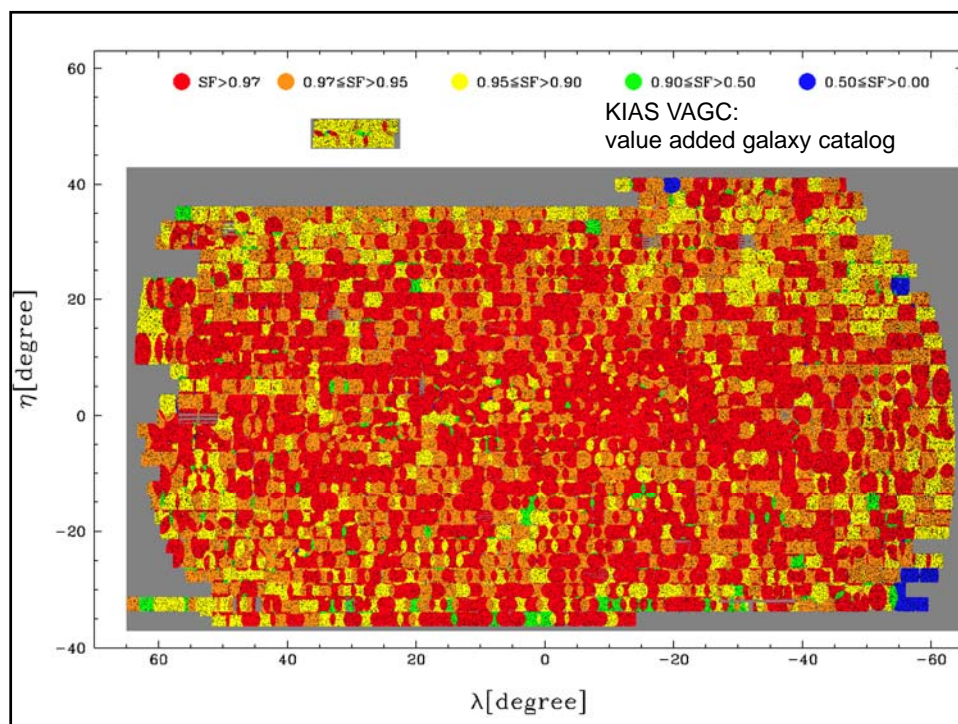
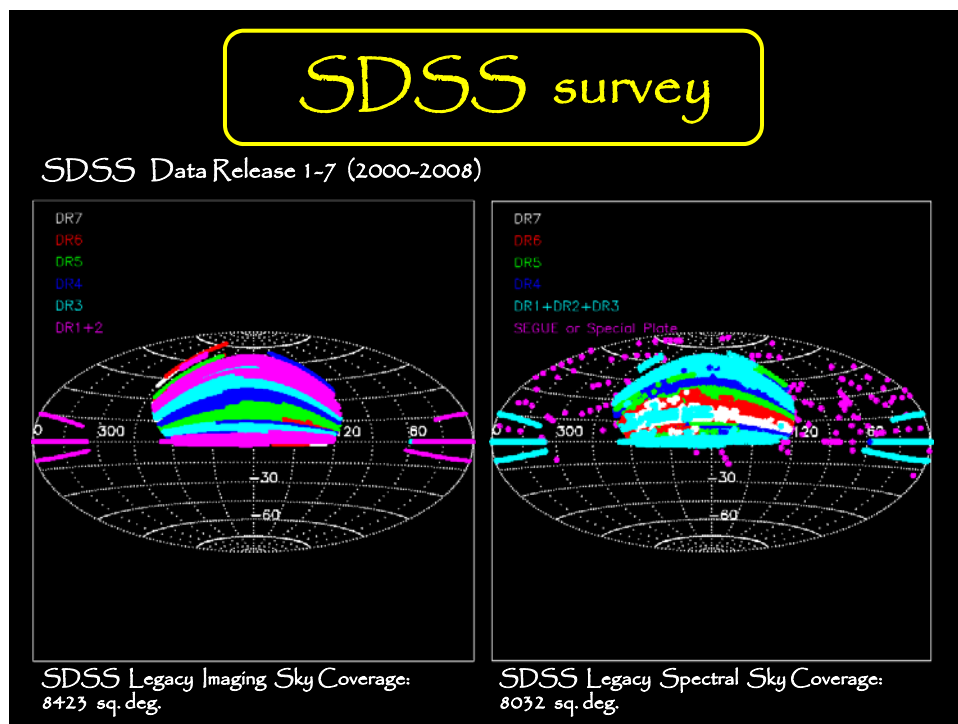
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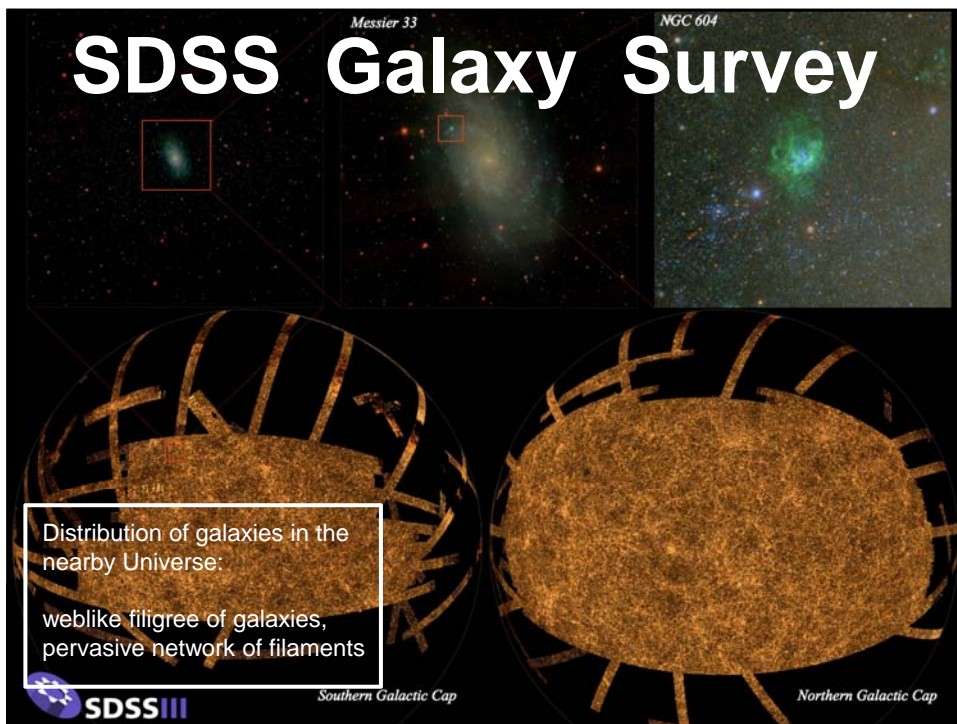
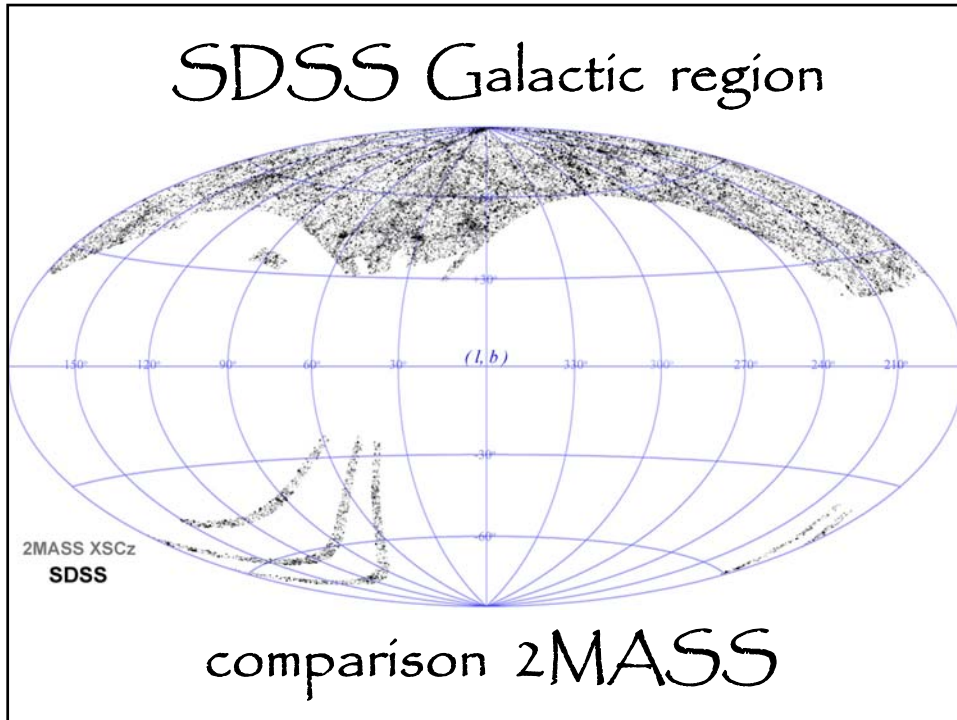
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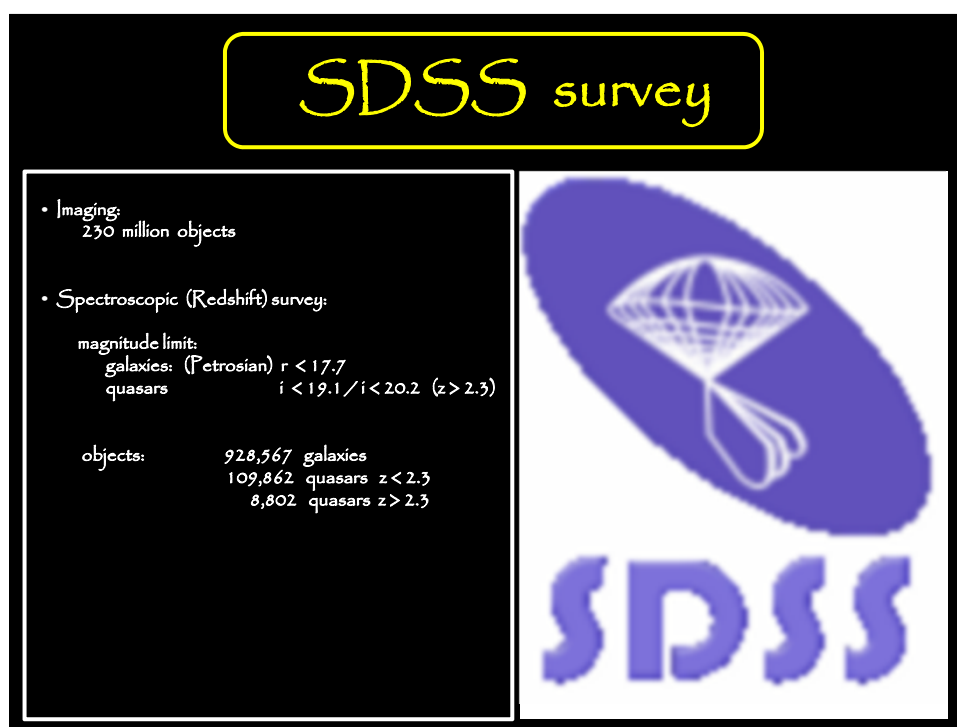
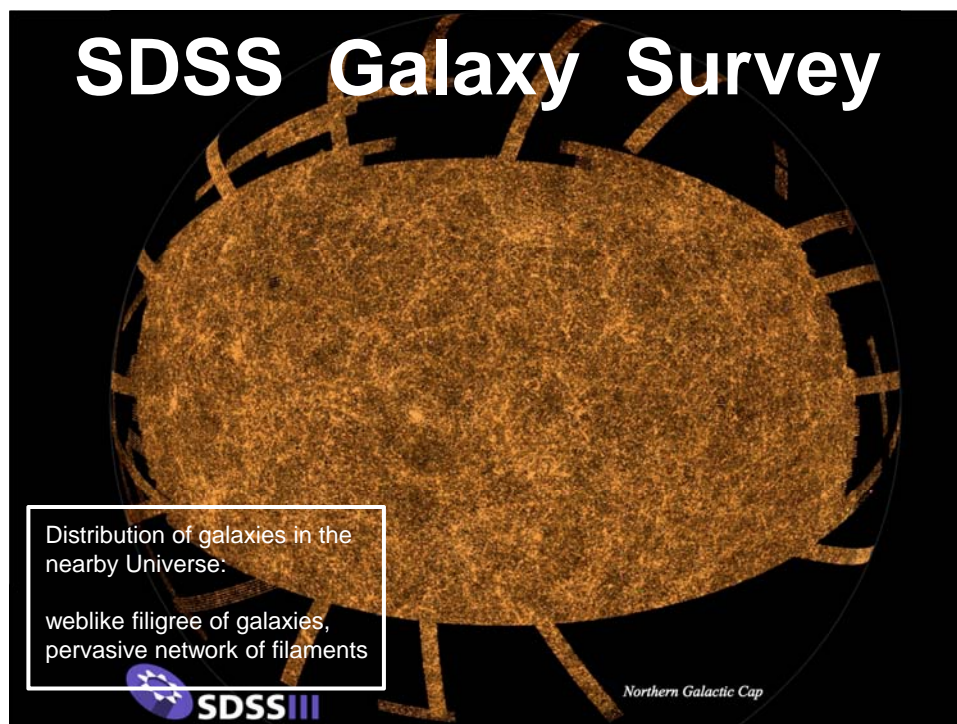






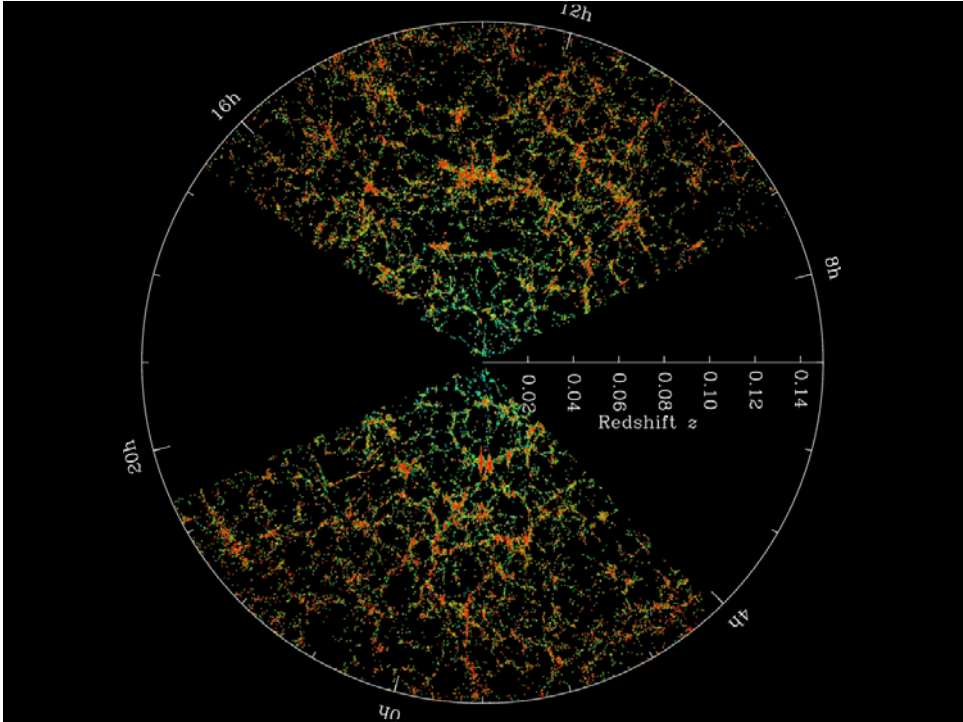


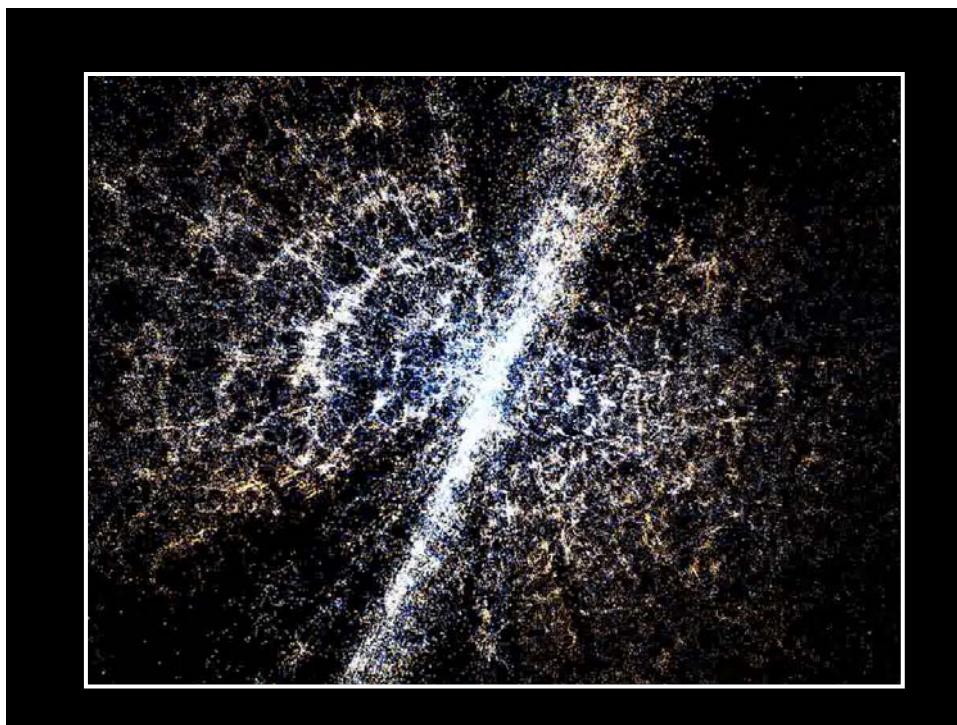




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# The Elements: Clusters





# Clusters of Galaxies

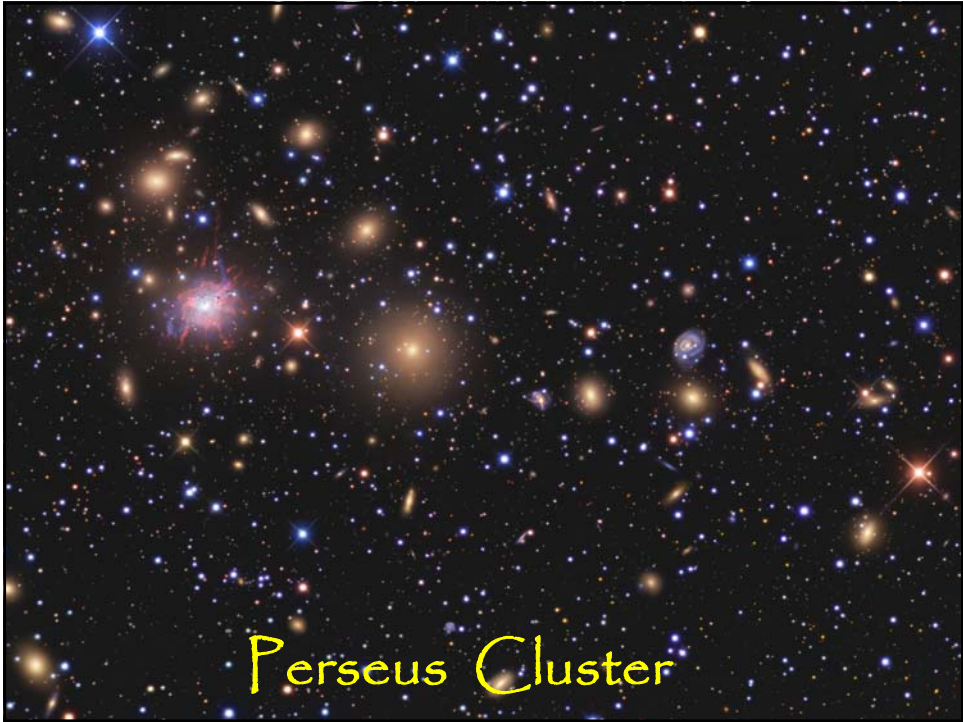
- Assemblies of up to 1000s of galaxies within a radius of only  $1.5-2h^{-1}$  Mpc,
- Representing overdensities of  $\delta \sim 1000$
- Galaxy move around with velocities  $\sim 1000$  km/s
- They are the most massive, and most recently, fully collapsed structures in our Universe.

# Clusters of Galaxies



Courtesy:  
O. Lopez-Cruz

Coma Cluster

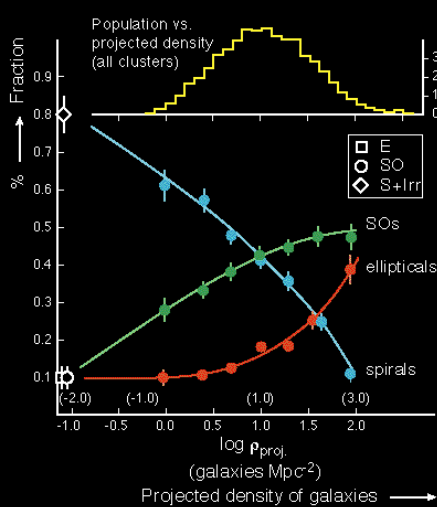




## Density-Morphology Relation

Outstanding relation between cosmic environment and galaxies:

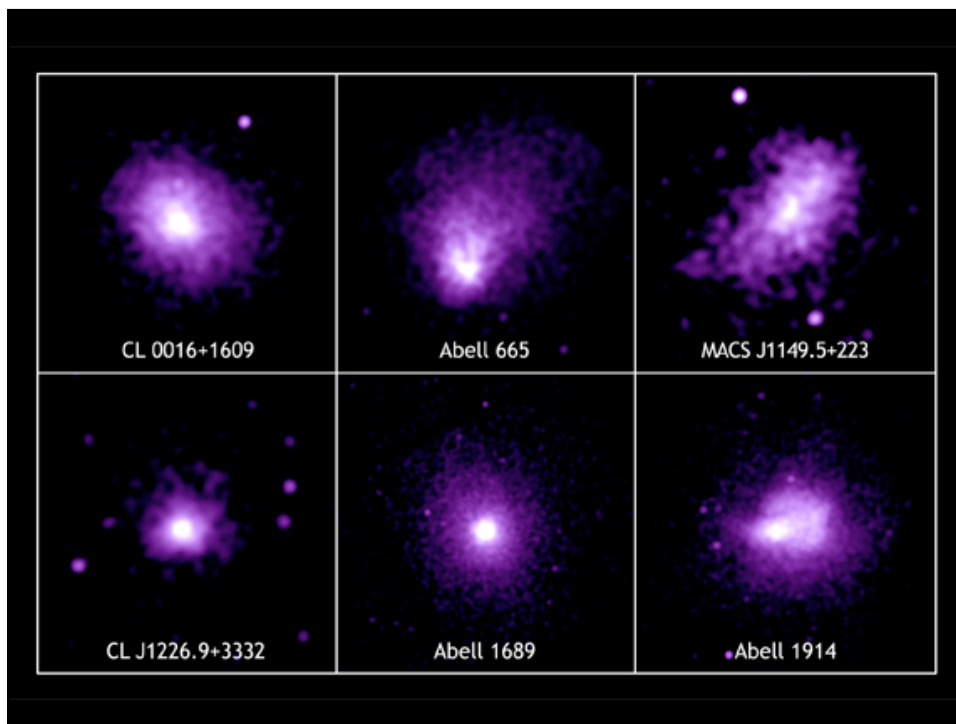
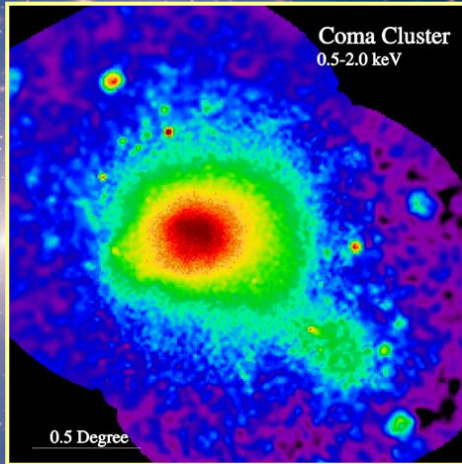
- Density-Morphology Relation
- Dense regions (clusters):  
early-type galaxies  
(ellipticals, SO,...)
- Lower Density areas:  
late-type galaxies  
(spirals, irregulars)
- From clusters to voids
- reflection of effects  
galaxy interactions  
(more frequent high densities)



# Clusters of Galaxies X-ray intracluster gas

Baryonic matter in clusters is not only confined to galaxies. On the contrary, about 2 to 5 times more baryonic mass is in the form of a **diffuse hot X-ray emitting intracluster gas**, trapped and heated to a temperature of the order of  $10^8$  K by the gravitational potential of the cluster. At such high temperatures, this gas is a fully ionized plasma, producing powerful X-ray emission, bremsstrahlung radiation induced by the electron-ion interactions.

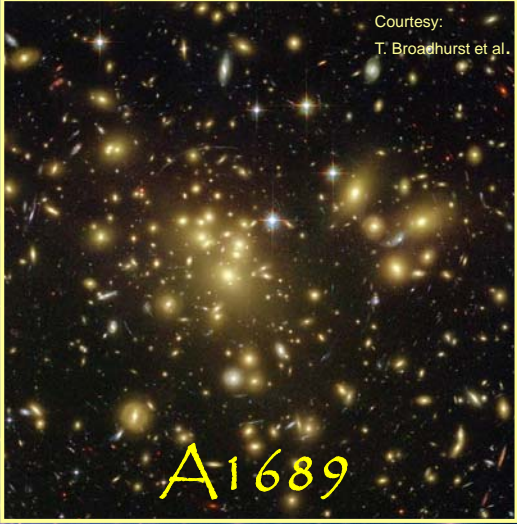
ROSAT X-ray image Coma Cluster



# Clusters of Galaxies: Gravitational Lenses

A highly promising method to determine the amount and distribution of matter in the Universe looks at the way it affects the trajectories of photons. According to Einstein's theory of General Relativity, gravitational potential wells will bend and focus light. Dark matter concentrations act as a **Gravitational Lens**.


Courtesy:  
T. Broadhurst et al.



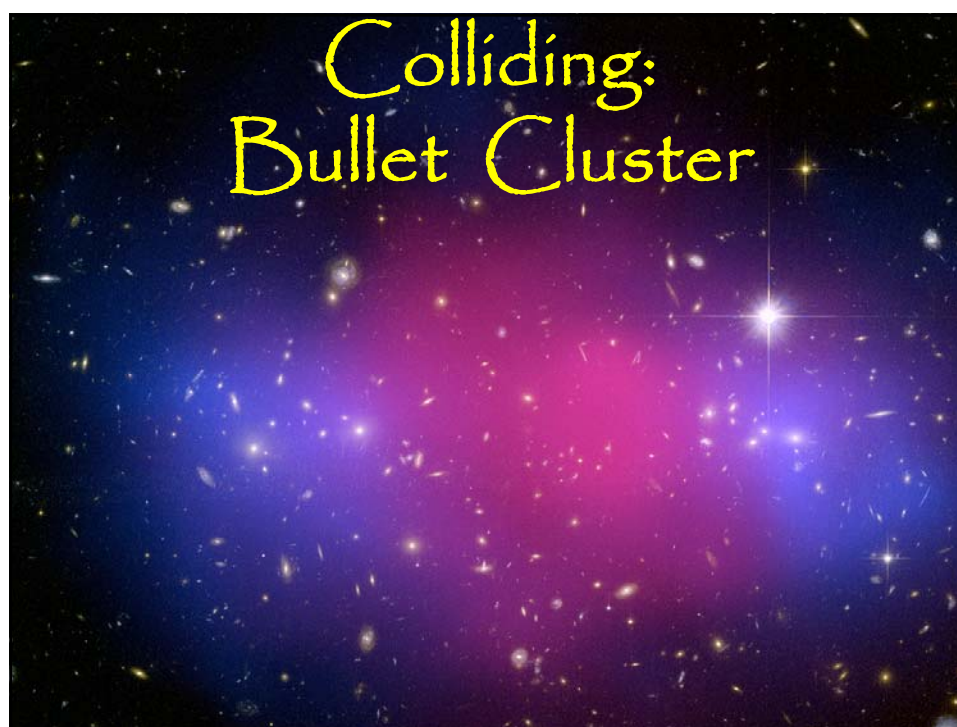
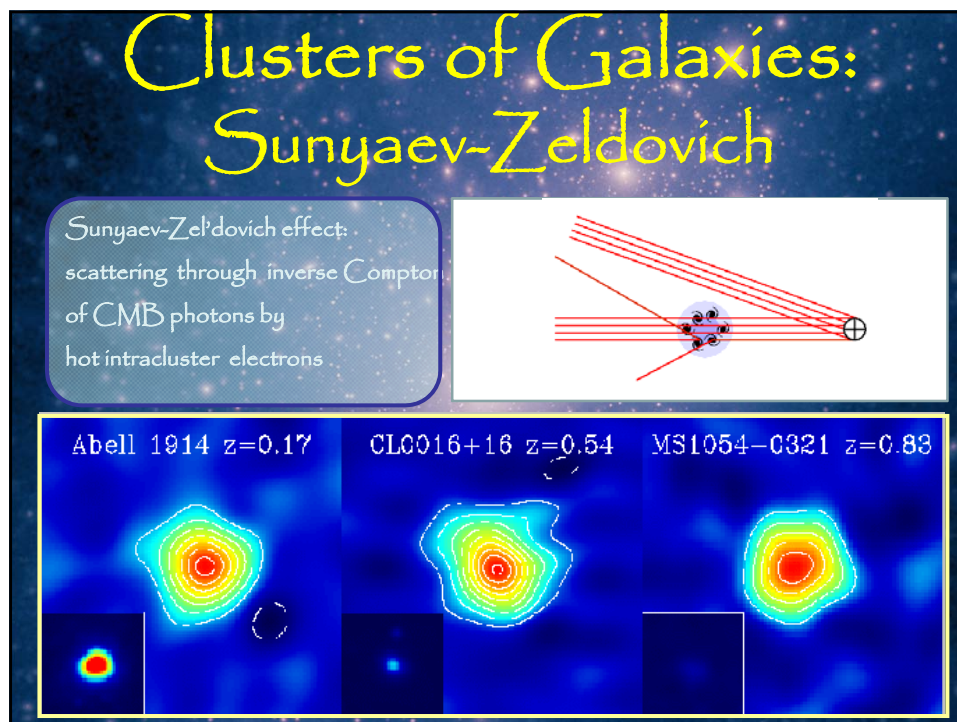
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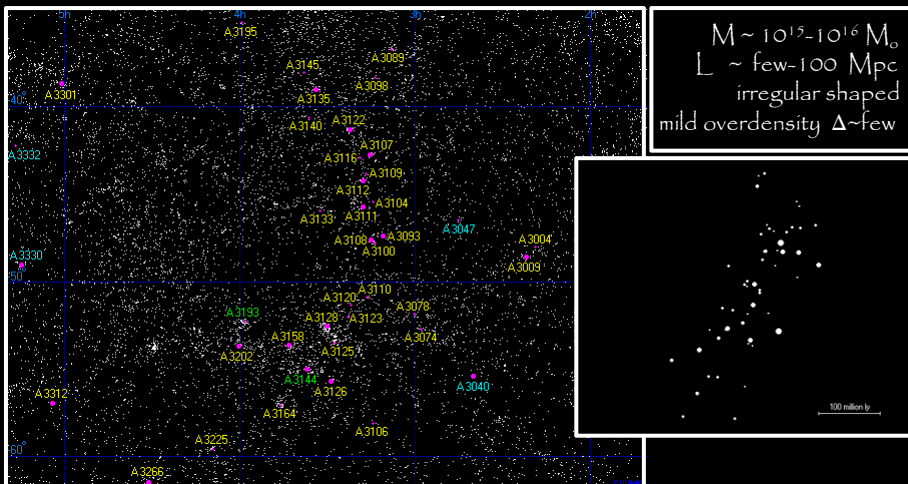
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# The Elements: Superclusters

## Superclusters

Large groups of clusters & galaxies (1-dozens)



**Superclusters:**

Einasto et al. sample  
 X-ray clusters (yellow) and  
 Abell clusters (white)

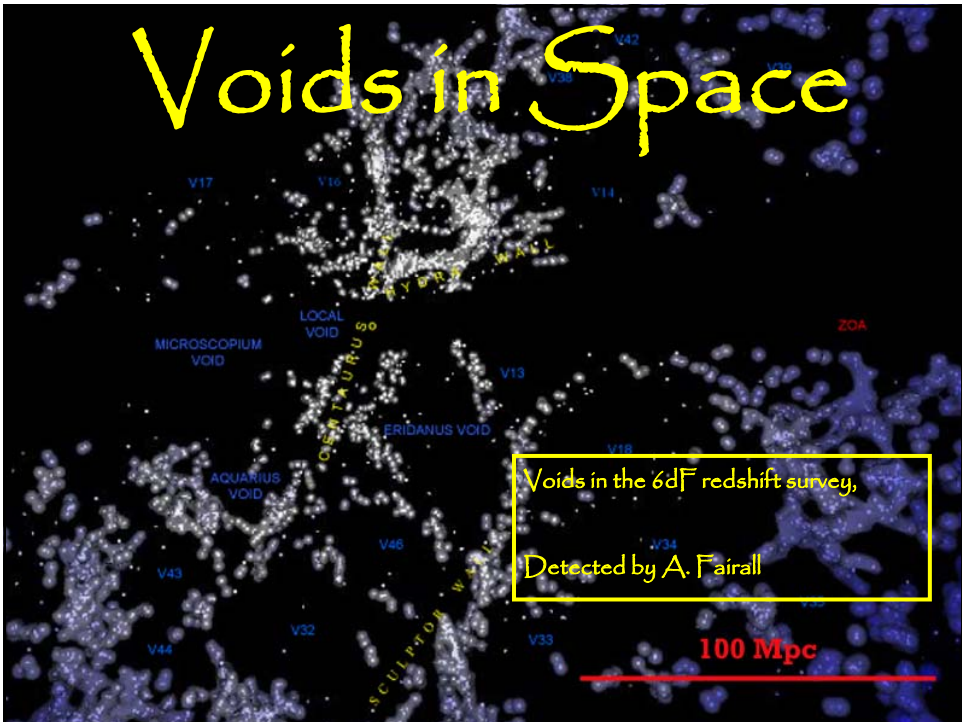
superclusters are not isolated single objects,  
 but integral components in the pervasive  
 Cosmic Web

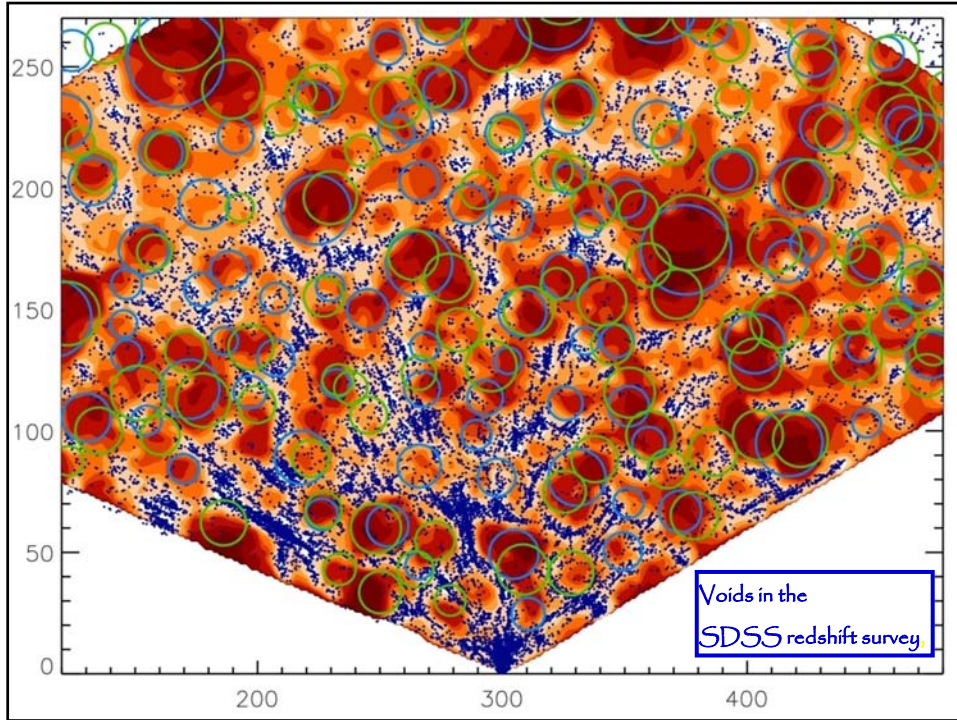
**Abell 901/902 Supercluster Dark Matter Map • STAGES**  
*Hubble Space Telescope • ACS/WFC*

NASA, ESA, C. Heymans (University of British Columbia), M. Gray (University of Nottingham), and the STAGES Collaboration STScI-PRC08-03



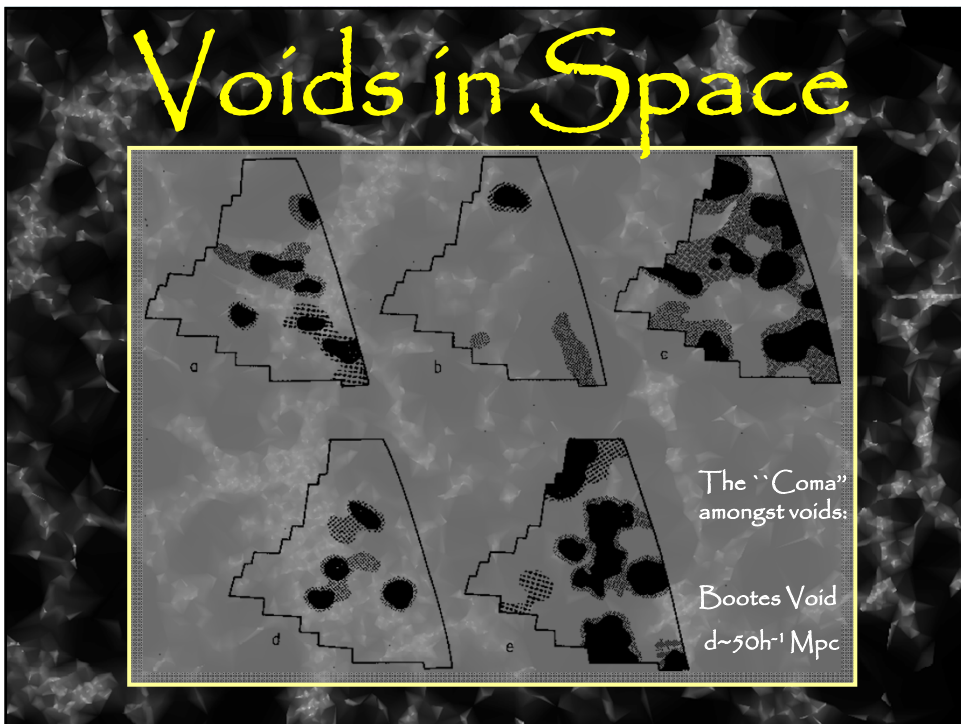
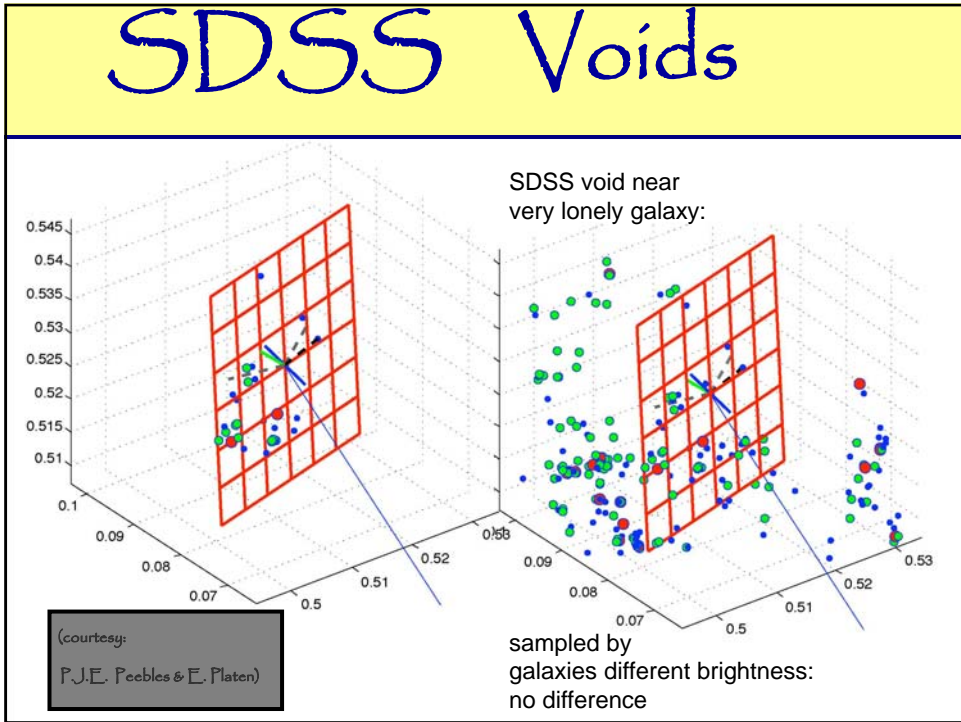
# The Elements: Voids





# SDSS Voids

VOID\_080  
RA = 185.34655  
DEC = 39.61652  
z = 0.0148416



# Voids in Space

## The Bootes Void.

Bootes void as revealed by the galaxy number space density in a sequence of five different recession velocity intervals in the direction of the Bootes constellation on the sky.

The lowest contour represents a density equal to 0.7 of the cosmic mean, each higher contour represents a factor 2 increase in density. Velocity ranges (km/s):

- (a) 7,000-12,000 (b) 12,000-17,000 (c) 17,000-23,000  
(d) 23,000-29,000 (e) 29,000-39,000

Frame (b) clearly reveals a large void in the galaxy distribution, which turns out to be roughly spherical in outline.

From: Kirshner et al. (1987)

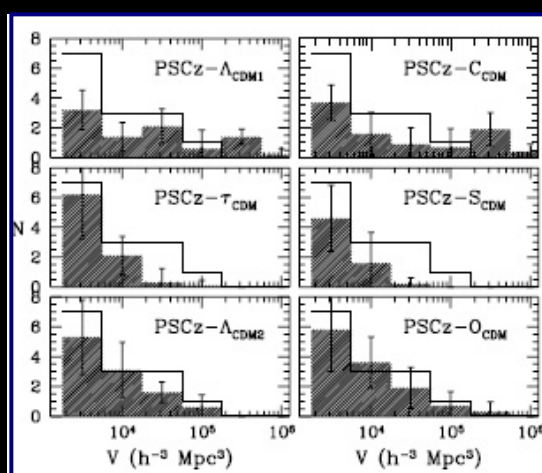
## Void Size & Volume

### Void Size

Void size distribution  
dependent on cosmology:

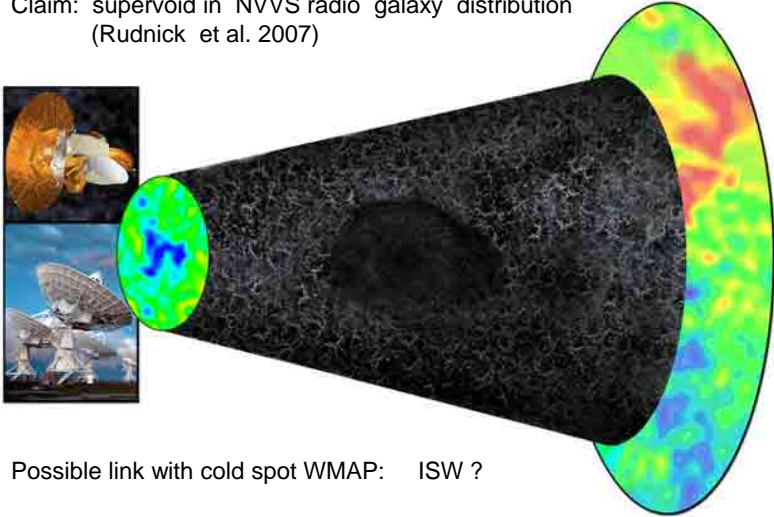
Comparison PSCz & models:

Plionis & Basilakos 2002



# Supervoids ???

Claim: supervoid in NVVS radio galaxy distribution  
(Rudnick et al. 2007)

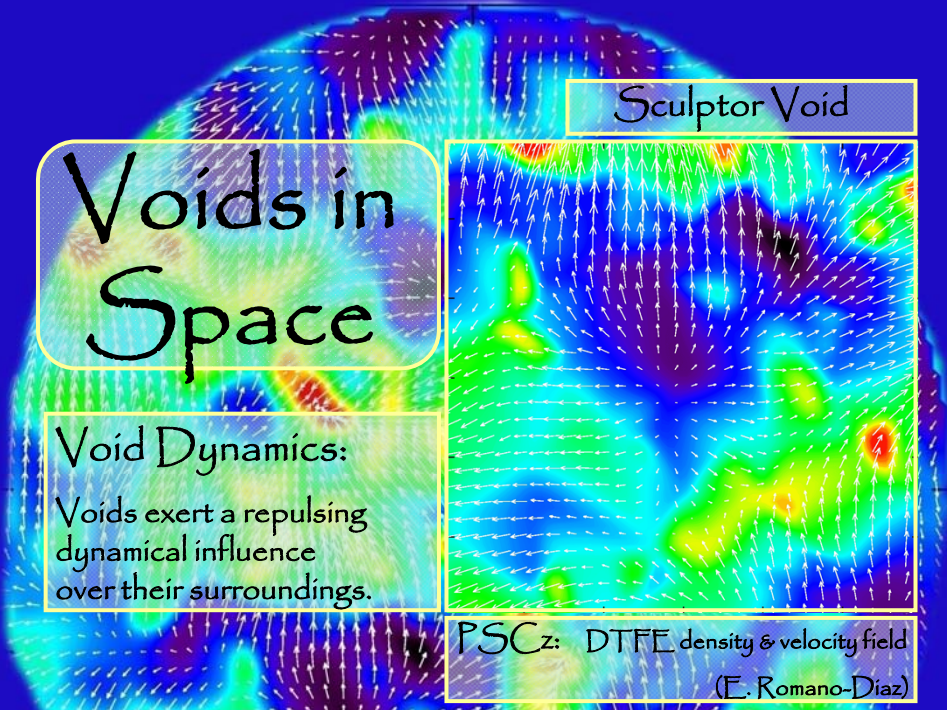


Possible link with cold spot WMAP: ISW ?

# Voids in Space

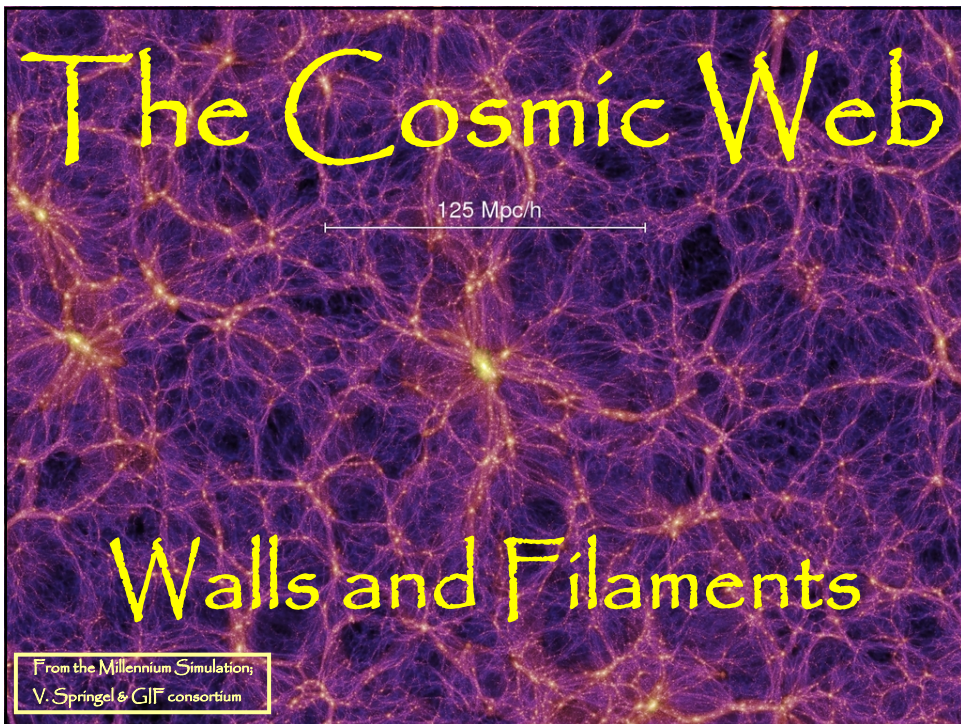
Sculptor Void

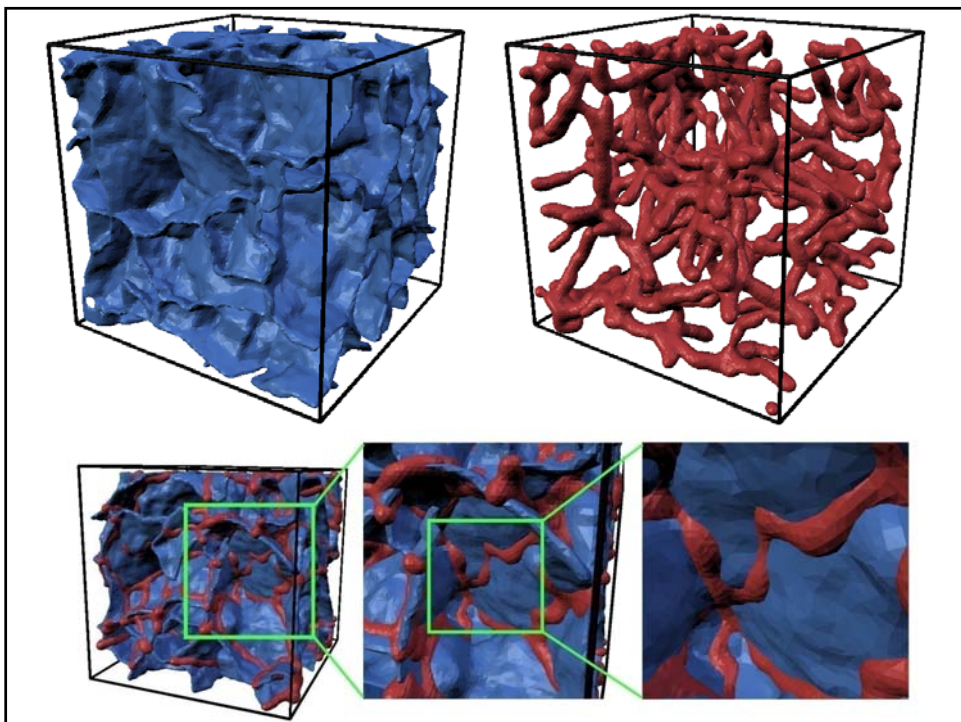
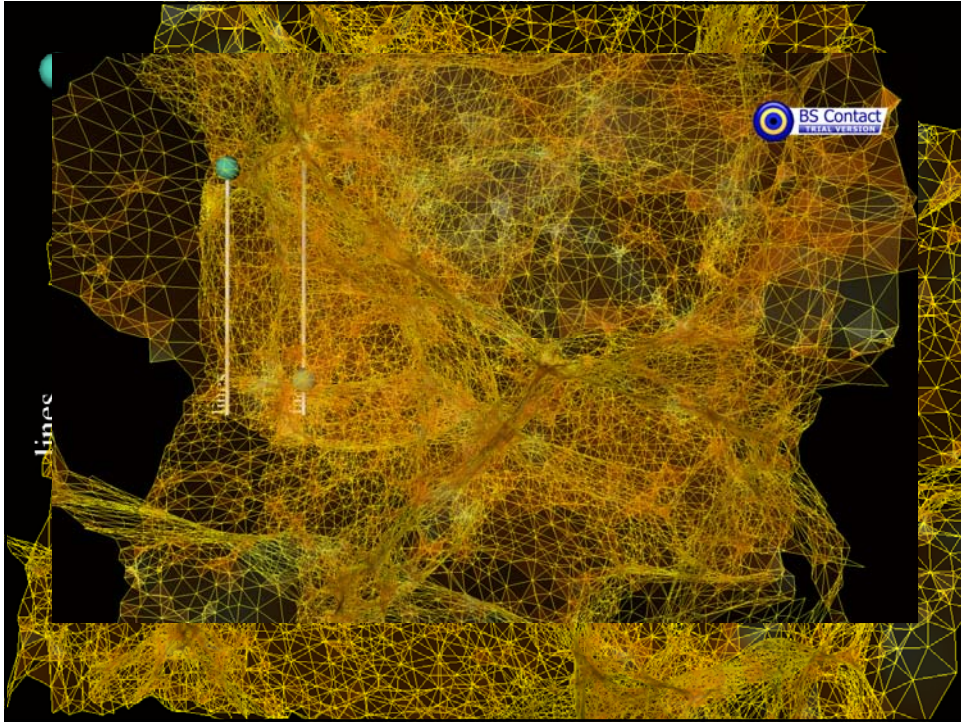
**Void Dynamics:**  
Voids exert a repulsing dynamical influence over their surroundings.



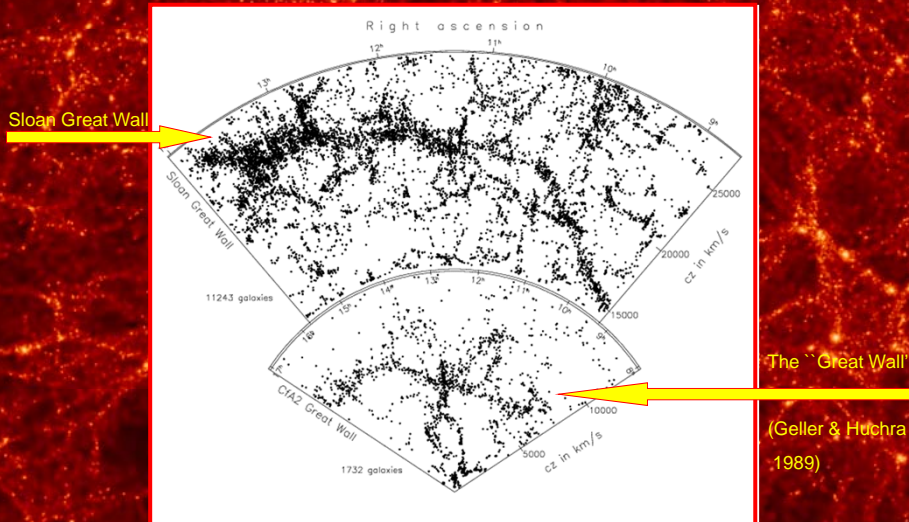
PSCz: DTFE density & velocity field  
(E. Romano-Díaz)

# Cosmic Web

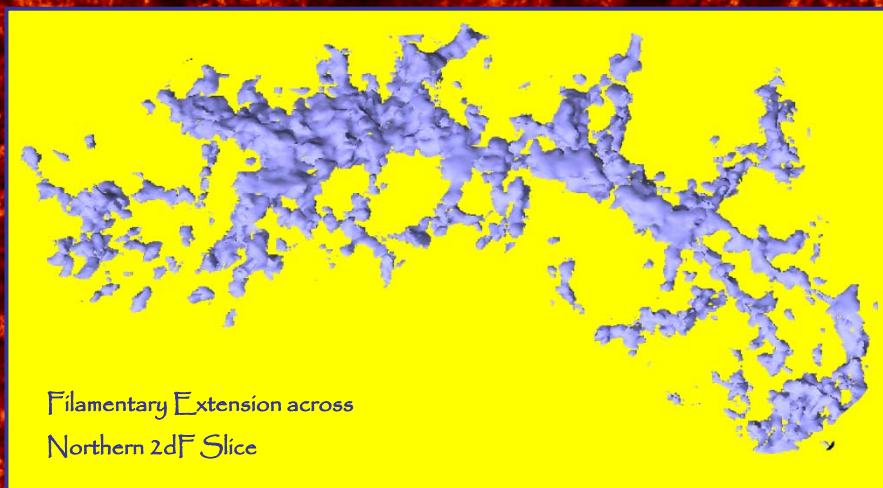




# Walls and Filaments



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DTFE rendering: W. Schaap



# Walls and Filaments

## Pisces-Perseus Supercluster

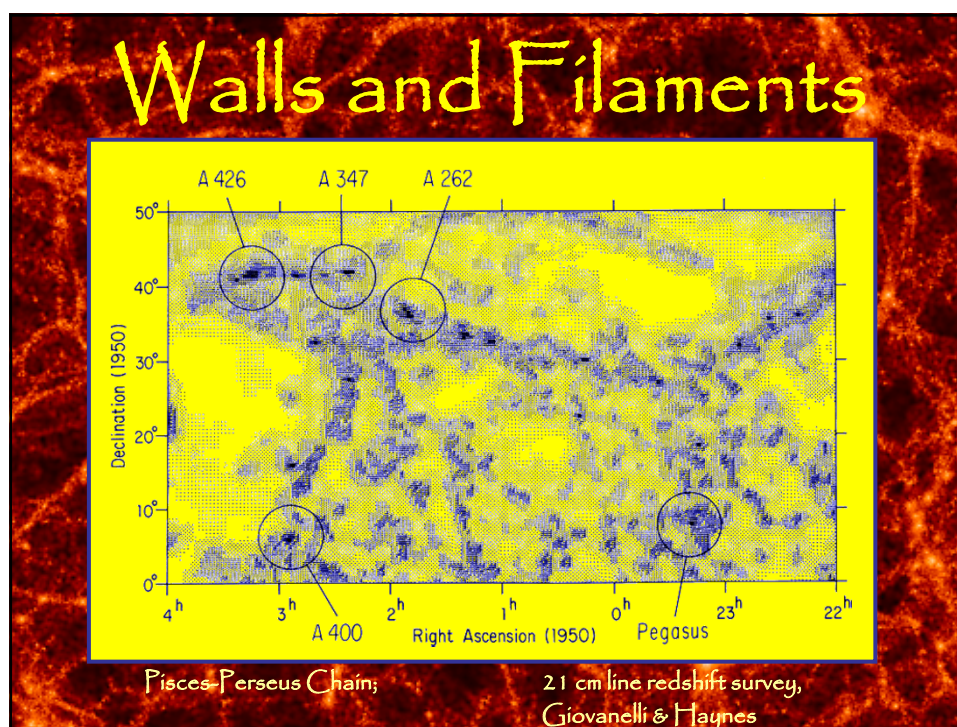
Canonic example of a strongly flattened supercluster consisting of

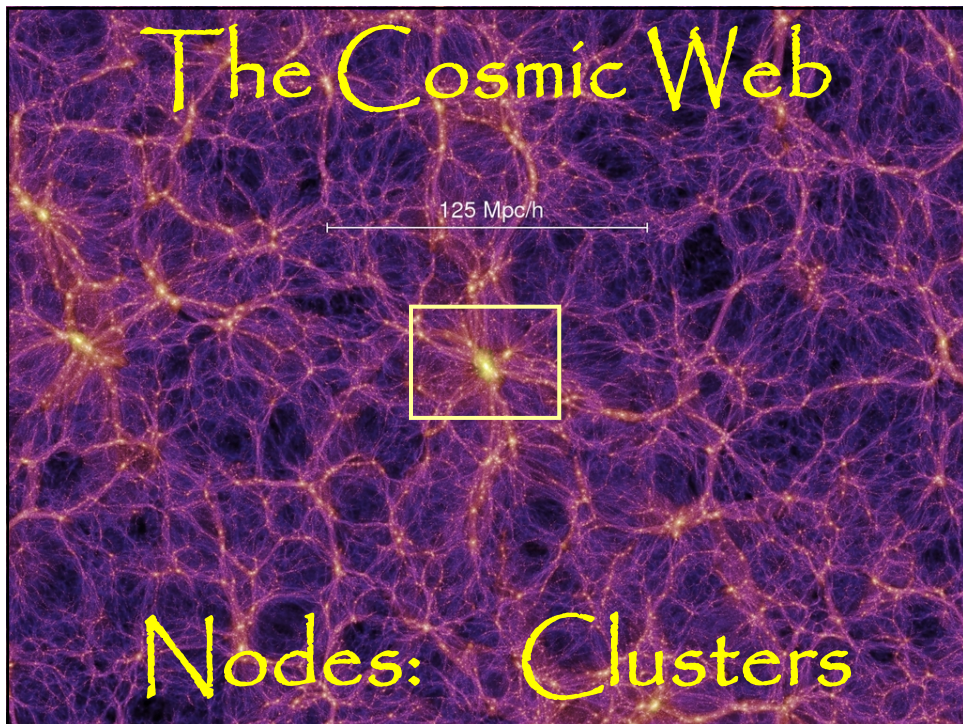
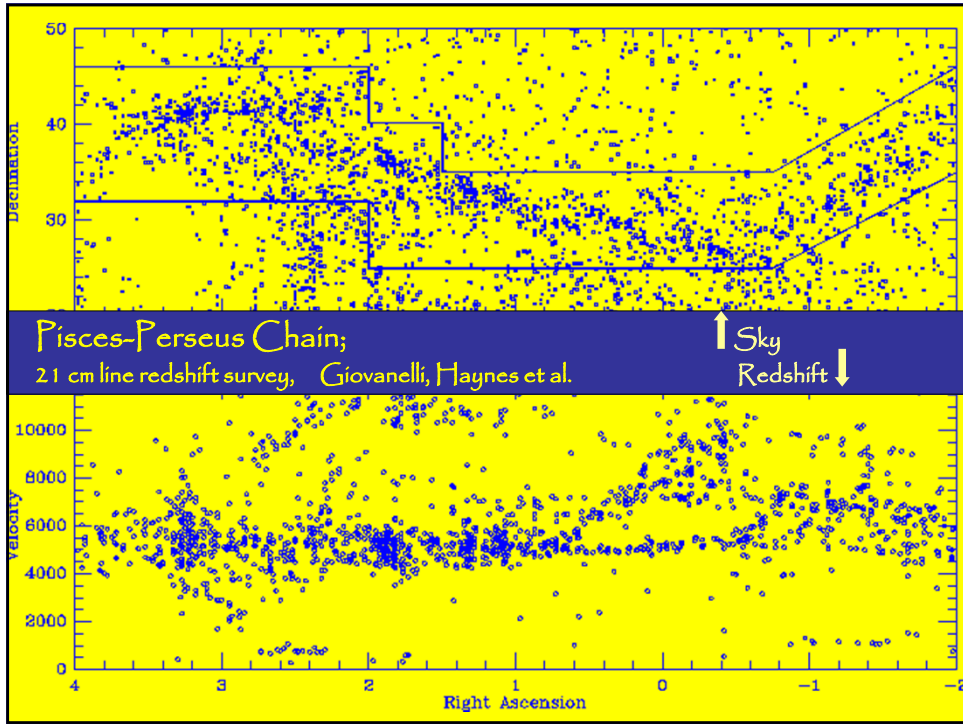
- sheet-like central region, dense filamentary boundary ridge
- Relative proximity ( $d \sim 55h^{-1}$  Mpc),
- Characteristic & salient filamentary morphology,
- Favourable orientation.

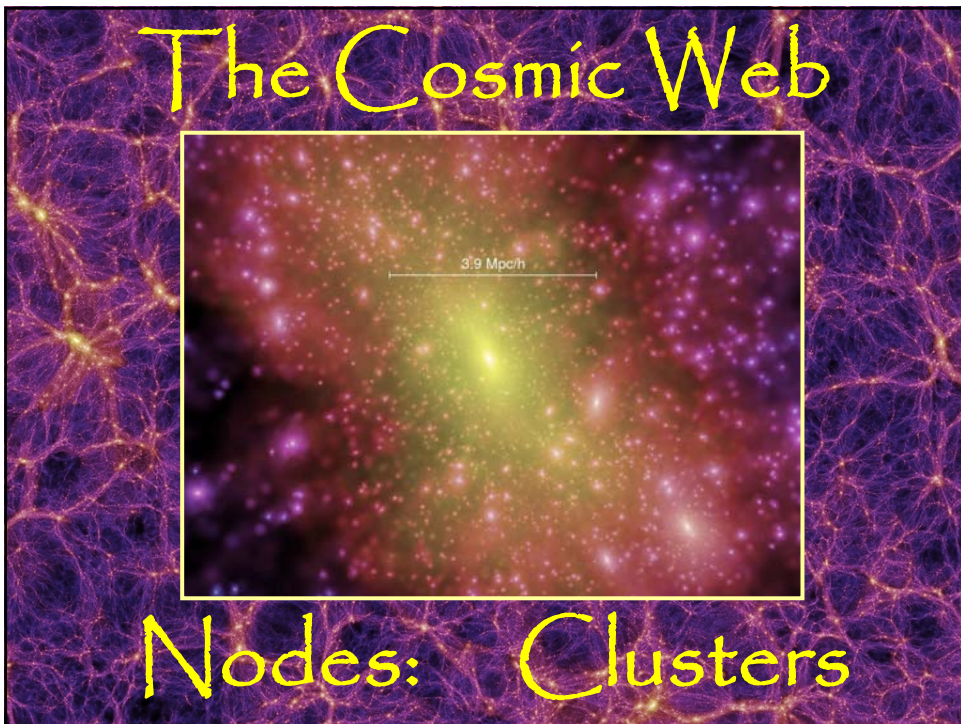
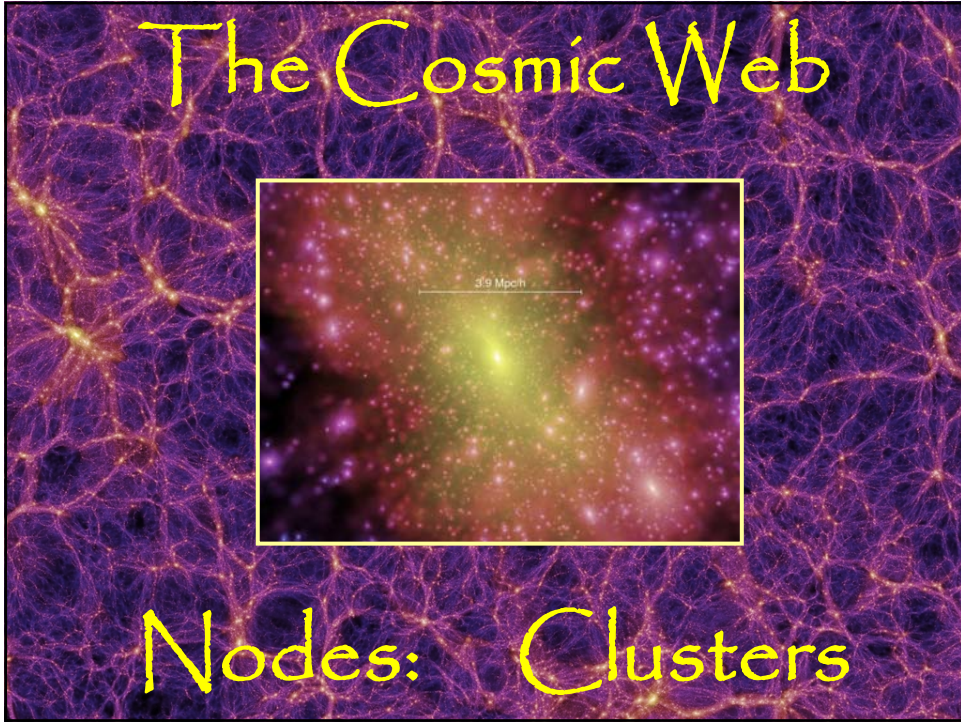
Northern boundary: ridge south-westward of Perseus cluster (A426)

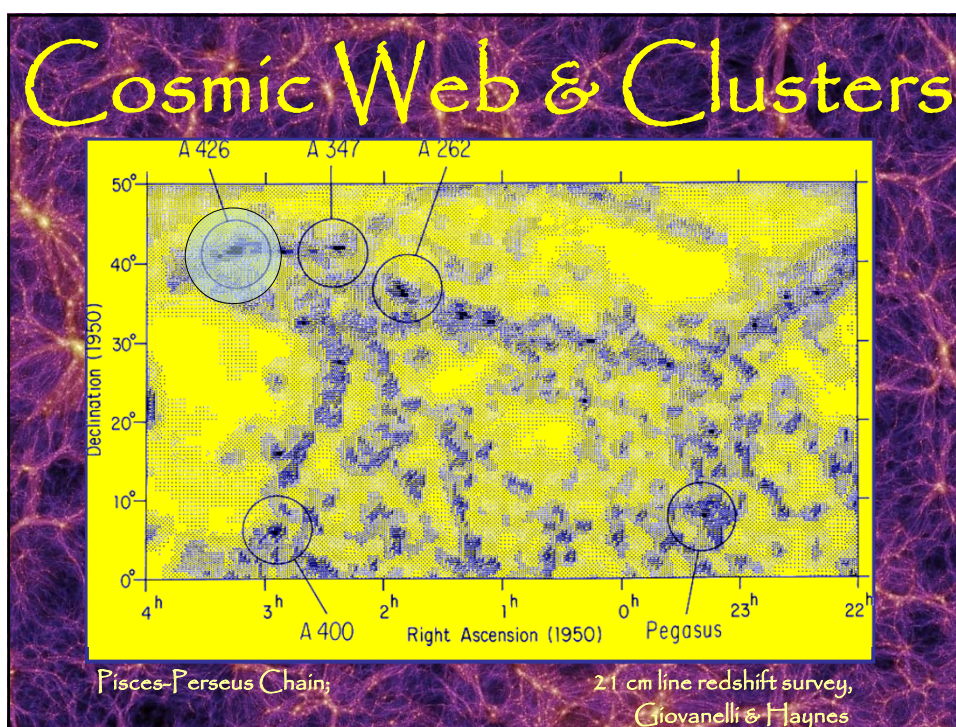
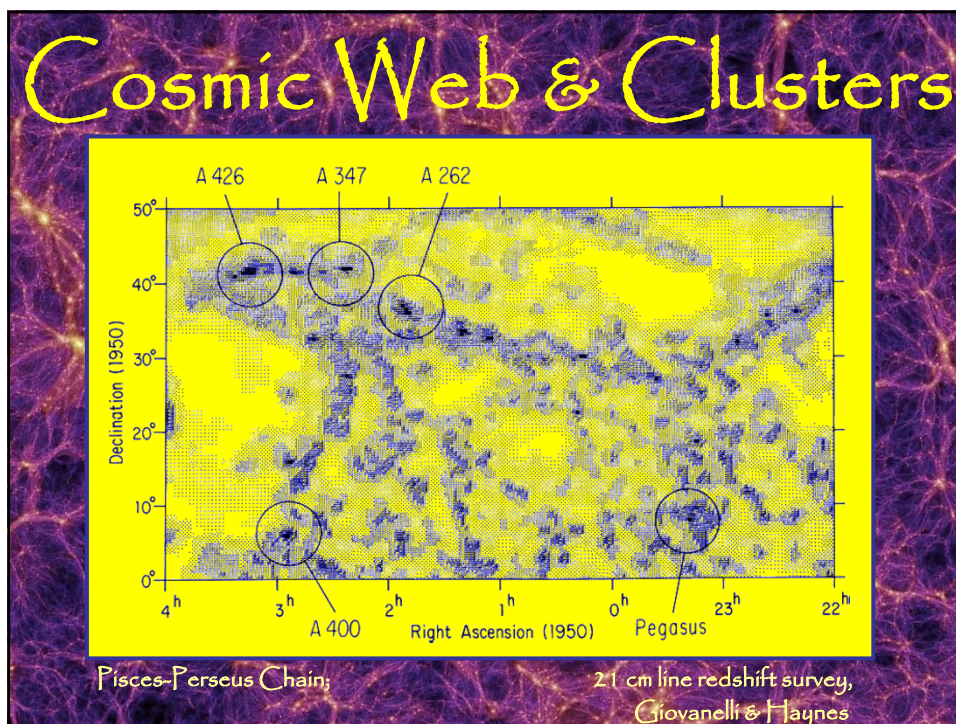
Dimensions Ridge:  $5h^{-1}$  Mpc wide  
 $50h^{-1}$  Mpc length; possible  $140h^{-1}$  Mpc extension

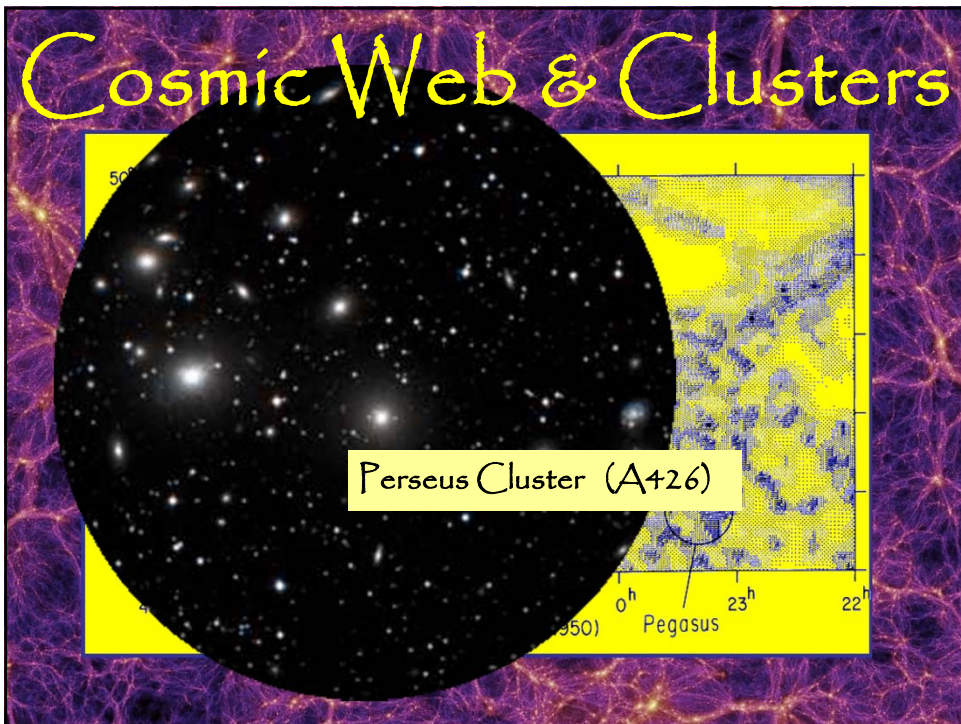
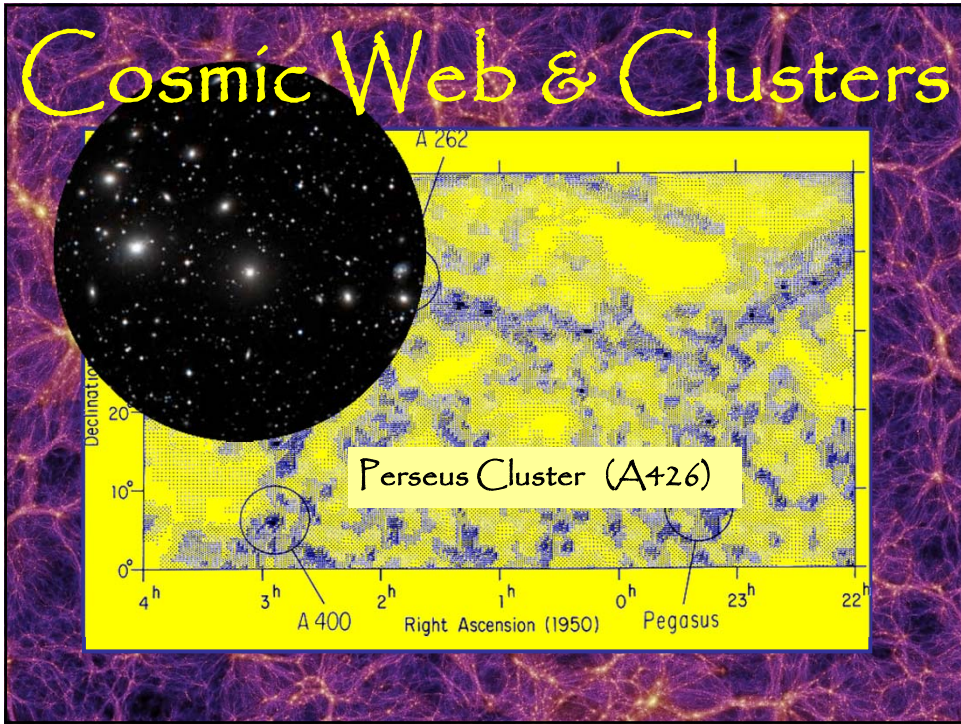
Along Ridge: high density clusters, incl. A462, A347, A262

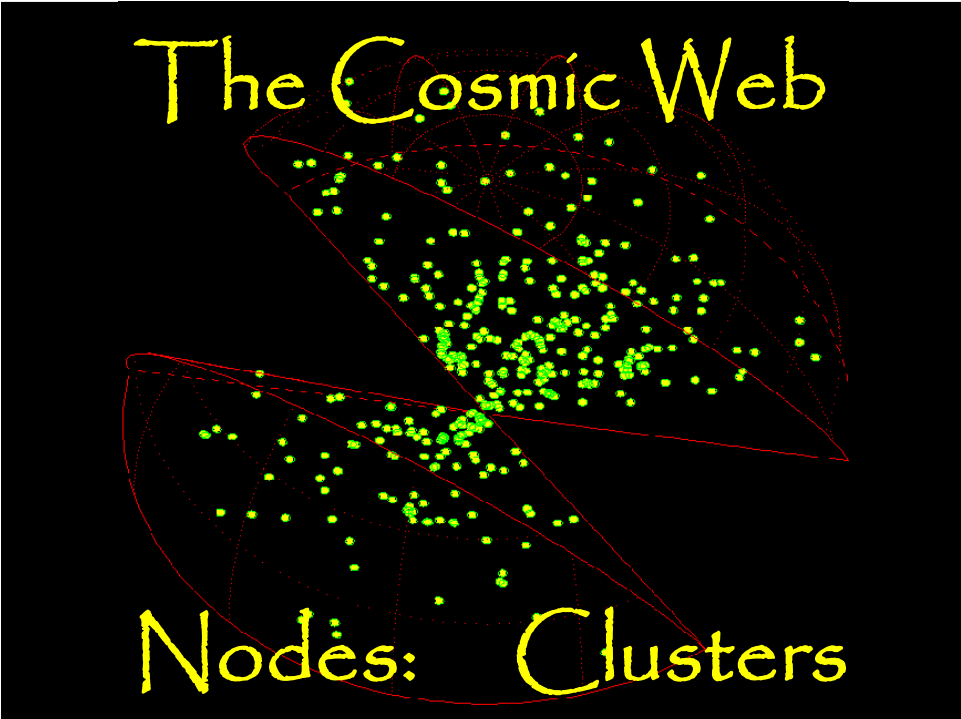




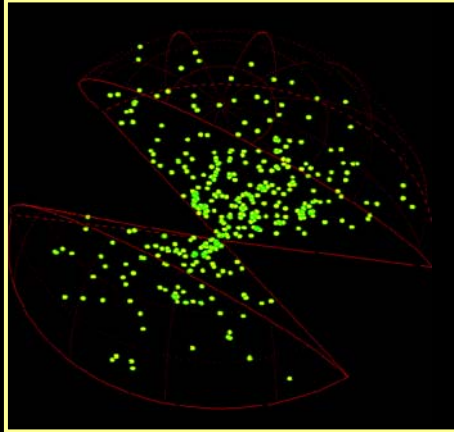








# The Cosmic Web



The spatial cluster distribution.

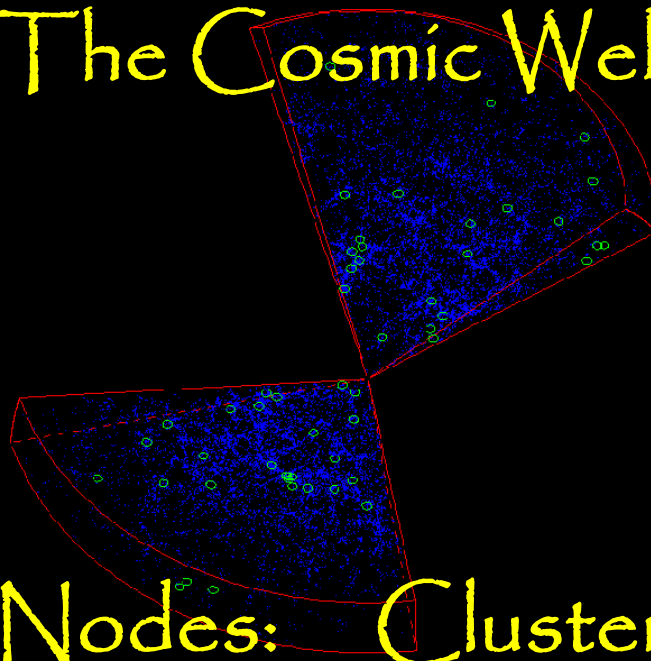
The full volume of the X-ray cluster REFLEX cluster survey within a distance of  $600h^{-1}$  Mpc. The REFLEX galaxy cluster catalogue contains all clusters brighter than an X-ray flux of  $3 \times 10^{-10}$  ergs  $\text{cm}^{-2}$  over a large part of the in the southern sky. The missing part of hemisphere delineates the region highly obscured by the Galaxy.

REFLEX: Boehringer et al. (2001)

Courtesy: Borgani & Guzzo (2001)

Nodes: Clusters

# The Cosmic Web



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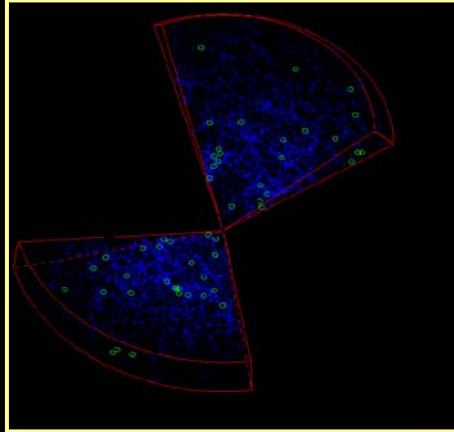
# The Cosmic Web

The spatial cluster distribution and relation to Cosmic Web.

The green circles mark the positions of REFLEX X-ray clusters in the northern and southern slices of the Las Campanas redshift survey (LCRS, Shectman et al. 1996), out to a maximum distance of  $600h^{-1}$  Mpc. Underlying, in blue, the galaxies in the LCRS delineate a foamlike distribution of filaments, walls and voids.

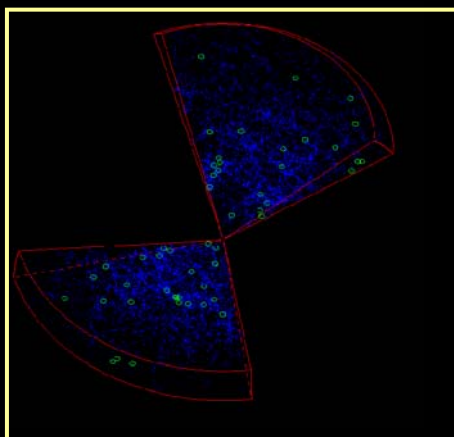
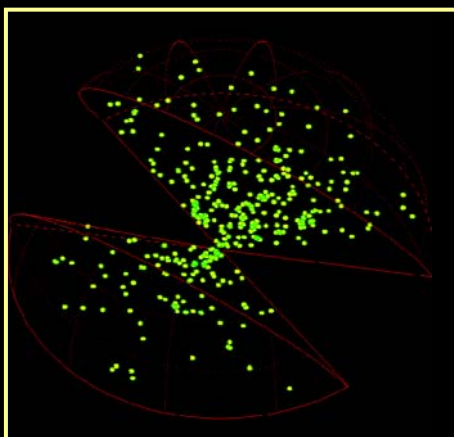
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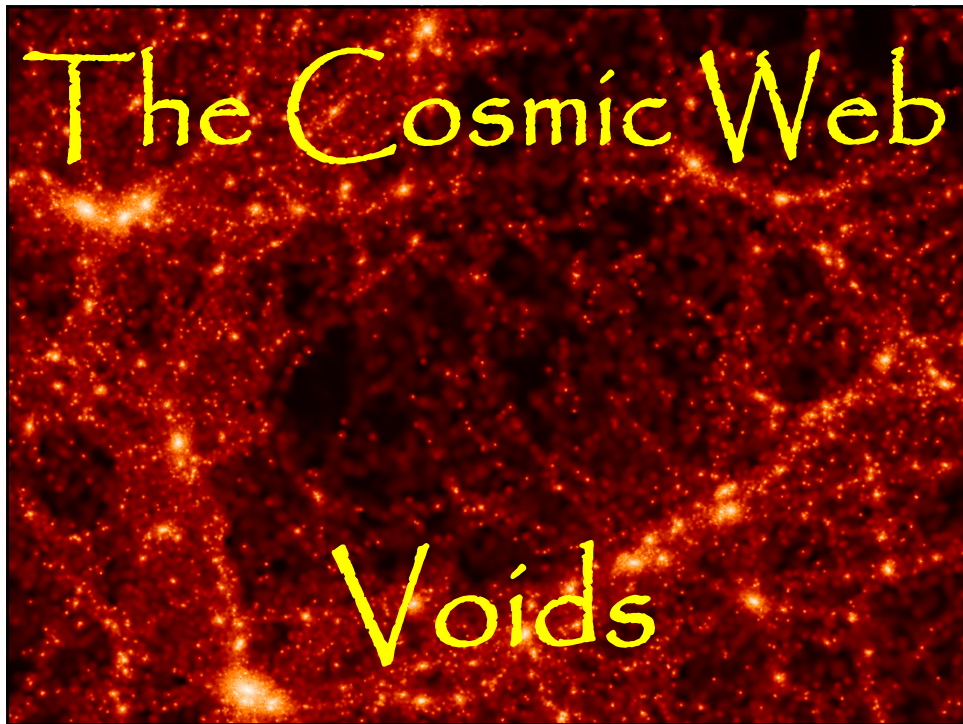
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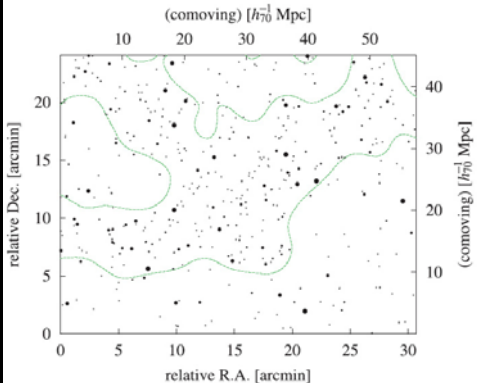
## Far Away, Long Ago

Various surveys are attempting to trace the large scale structure out to large cosmic depths/redshifts.

- Is cosmic web truly universal
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Simulation of VIRMOS redshift survey, web out to large redshift

## Far Away, Long Ago

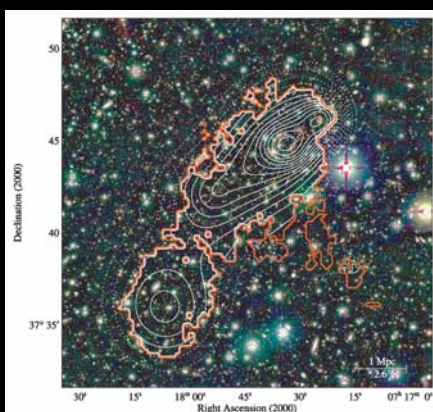


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Subaru Survey: Amazing prominent large scale distribution of Ly $\alpha$  emitting galaxies.  
A filament at redshift  $z \sim 3$ ?

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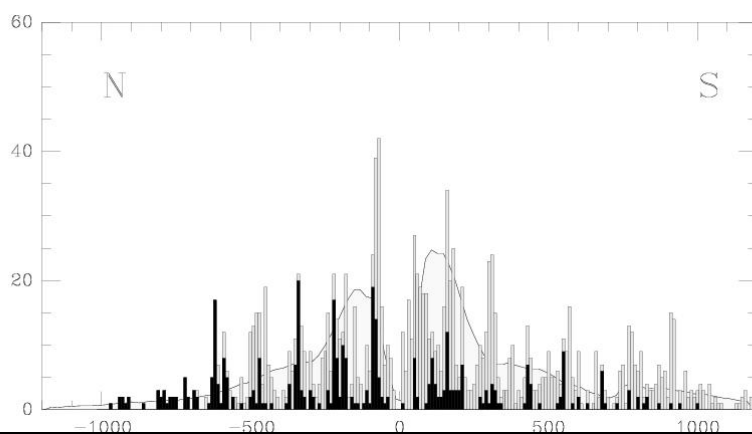
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Ebeling et al. (2004):

A filamentary structure in between two rich clusters.

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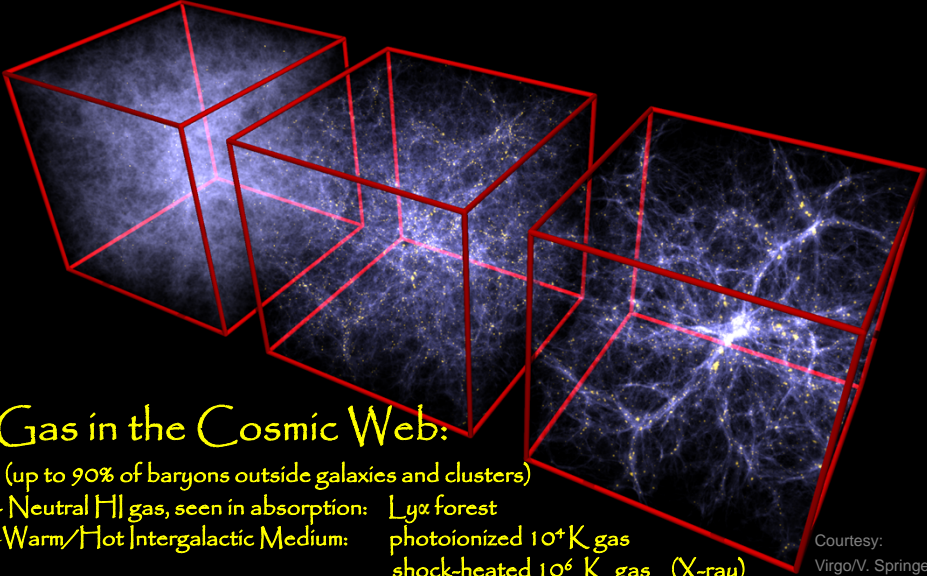


Deep pencil beam survey (Broadhurst et al):

A semi-regular pattern of redshift spikes along line of sight, indicating the passage of l.o.s. through sheets, filaments and clusters. Suggestions for a characteristic scale of  $\sim 120h^{-1}$  Mpc should be ascribed to the 1-D character of the redshift skewer through 3-D structure.

# The Gastrophysical Web

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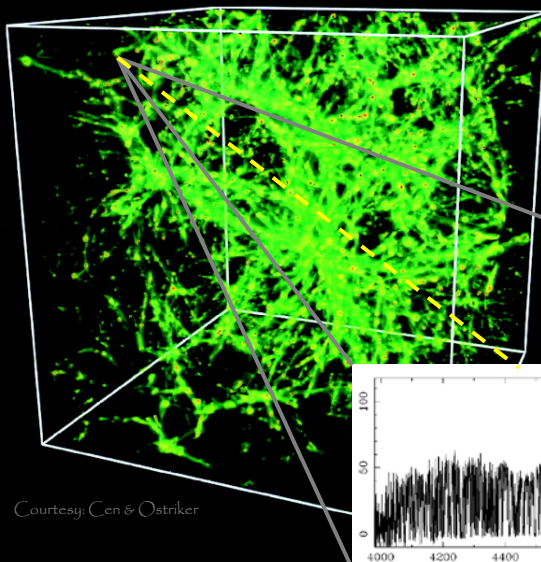


**Gas in the Cosmic Web:**  
(up to 90% of baryons outside galaxies and clusters)

- Neutral H I gas, seen in absorption: Ly $\alpha$  forest
- Warm/Hot Intergalactic Medium: photoionized  $10^4$  K gas  
shock-heated  $10^6$  K gas (X-ray)

Courtesy: Virgo/V. Springel

## The Gastrophysical Web



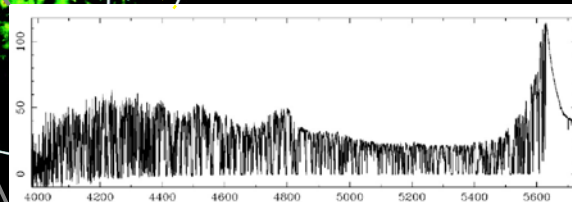
Courtesy: Cen & Ostriker

### The Ly $\alpha$ forest:

HI gas in the intergalactic medium closely traces the density fluctuations in the dark matter distribution.

QSO absorption lines arise due to the line of sight intersection by the neutral hydrogen component

Low column density absorption lines associated with sheets and filaments in the "Cosmic Web"



## Web Dynamics

# Cosmic Migration Flows

CMB Dipole:

We move wrt Universe:  $v \sim 620 \text{ km/s}$

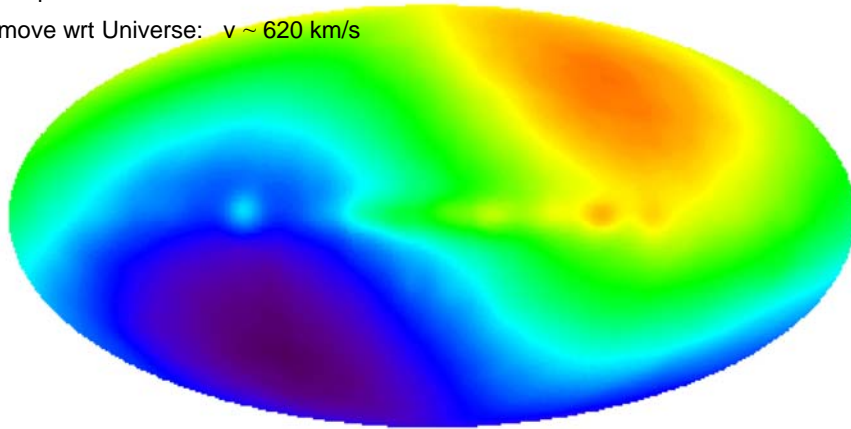
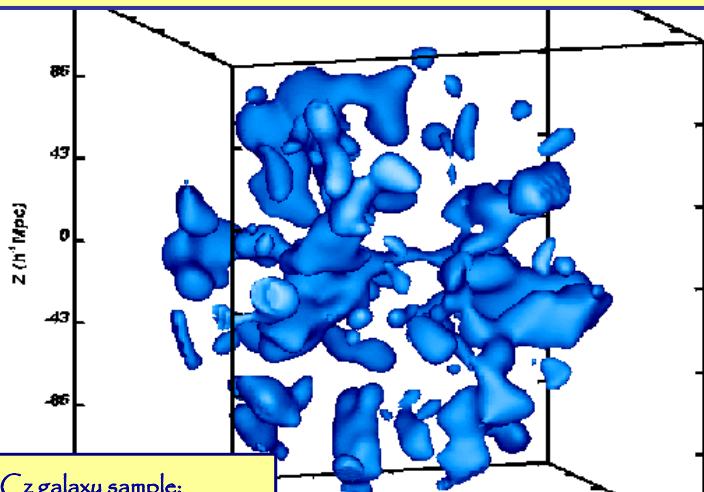


Figure 11. The Cosmic Microwave Background dipole as measured by the DMR instrument of the COBE microwave background satellite (see also Kogut et al. 1993)

# Cosmic Migration Flows



PSCz galaxy sample:  
Density field

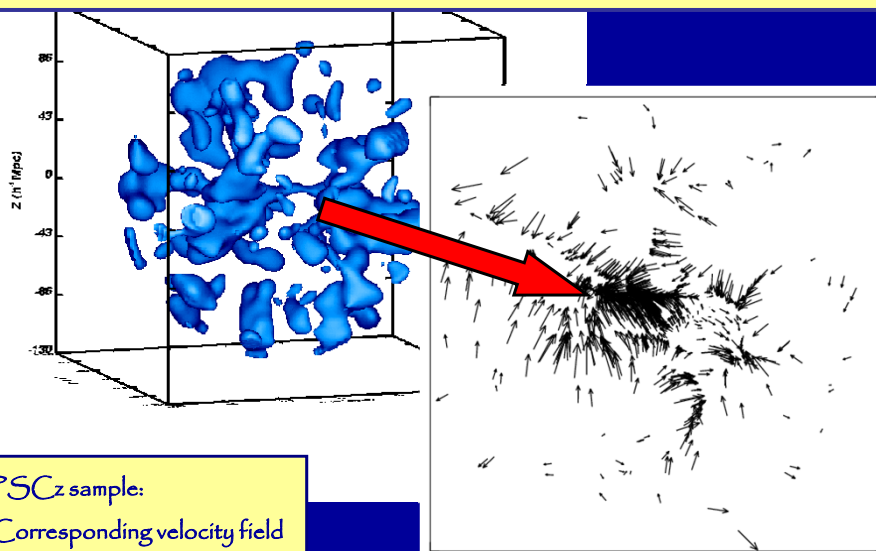
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$$\mathbf{v} = \frac{H f}{4\pi G \rho_u} \mathbf{g} = \frac{2 f}{3H\Omega} \mathbf{g}$$

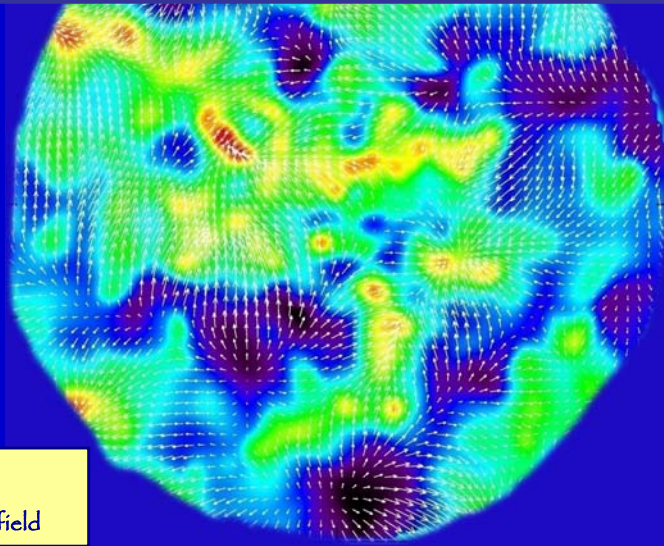


$$\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \frac{H}{4\pi} \frac{f(\Omega_m)}{b} a \int d\mathbf{x}' \delta_{gal}(\mathbf{x}', t) \frac{(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x})}{|\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}|^3} \quad (158)$$

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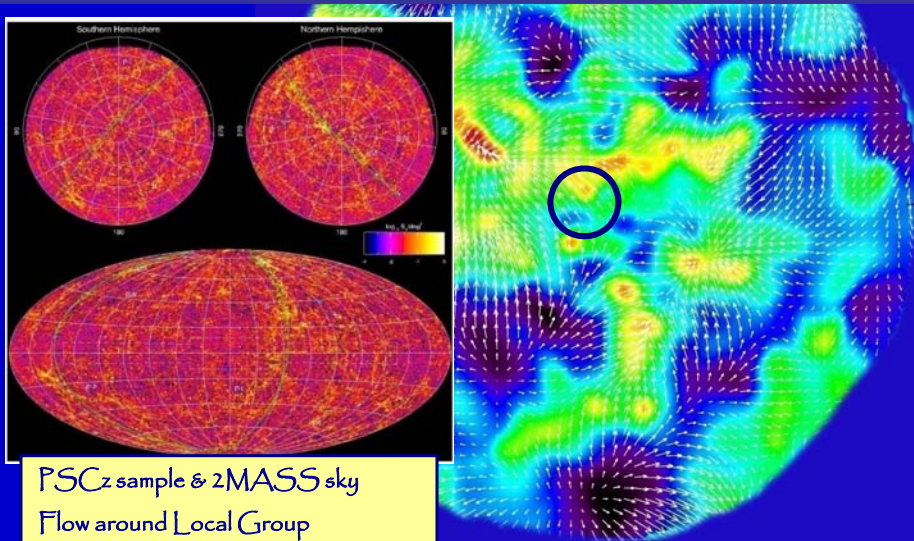


# Cosmic Migration Flows



PSCz sample,  
Map Density & Flow field

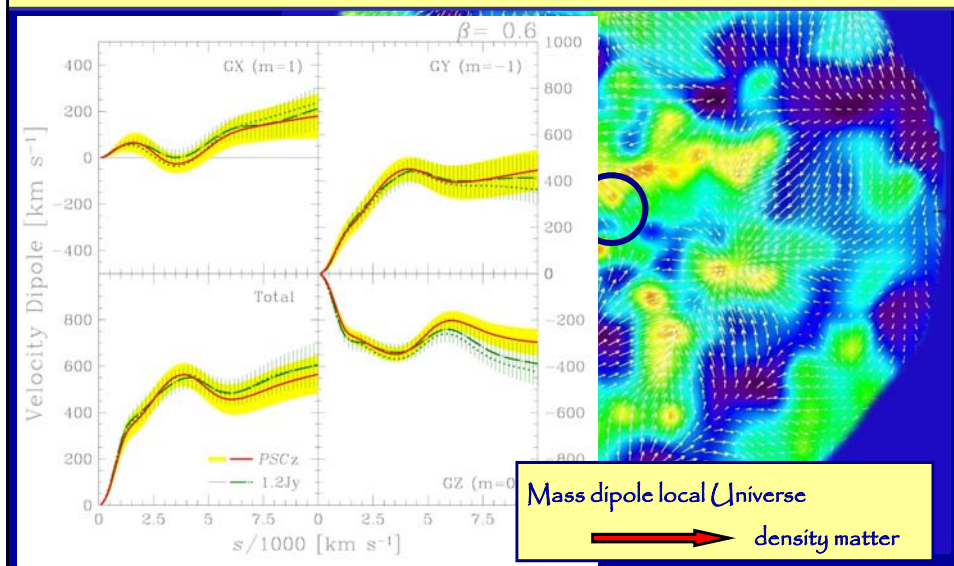
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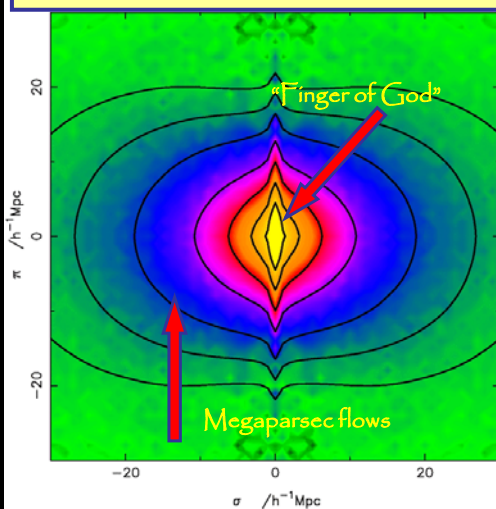
PSCz sample & 2MASS sky  
Flow around Local Group



# Cosmic Migration Flows



## the Web: Migration Flows



Large scale flows lead to redshift distortions:

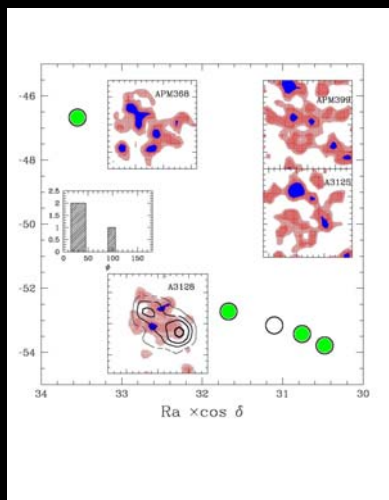
$$cz = Hr + v_{pec}$$

These flows are part of the assembly of large scale structures, and reach largest values as matter is transported along the filaments into the clusters.

When mapping the galaxy distribution in redshift space, this induces a distortion:

- Flattening along  $z$  as matter flows into Megaparsec features ( $v < 600 \text{ km/s}$ ).
- Extension due to thermal motions inside cluster ( $v \sim 1000 \text{ km/s}$ ); "Fingers of God"

## Web Dynamics: Alignments



Plionis 2005

Of utmost importance for understanding the dynamical origin of the cosmic web is that of alignments between and around clusters of galaxies.

The presence of such alignments is an indication for the tidal origin of the cosmic web with the clusters as the dominant tidal agents.

This forms an essential ingredient of the "Cosmic Web" theory of Bond et al.

Work by various groups, most notably Plionis and collaborators, indicate that indeed clusters, and galaxies around them, reveal significant alignments.

## Cosmic Shear & Gravitational Lensing

# Gravitational Lensing

A highly promising method to determine the amount and distribution of matter in the Universe does not concentrate on the way in which Dark Matter affects

- the motions of galaxies and the intracluster gas,

but instead looks at the way it affects

- the trajectories of photons.

According to Einstein's theory of general relativity, gravitational potential wells will bend and focus light. Dark matter concentrations will therefore act

Gravitational Lens



A1689, HST, Broadhurst et al.

# Gravitational Lensing

Illustration:

Mass passing in front of background of galaxies, distorting their received images.

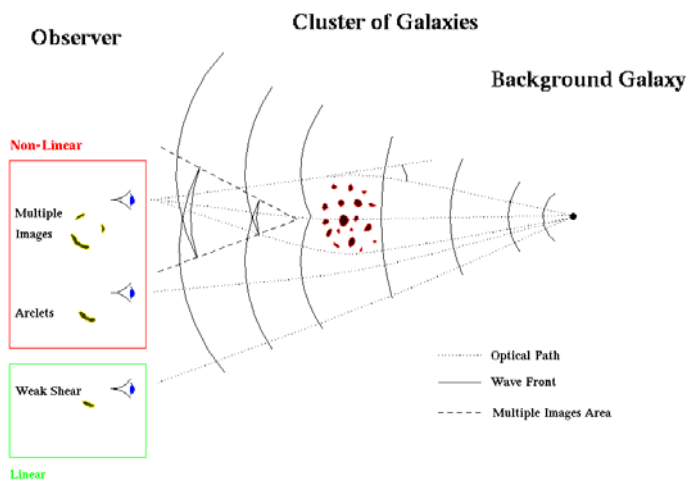


# Clusters: Gravitational Lensing

Illustration:

Dependent on whether the light passes within Einstein radius or outside, we deal with:

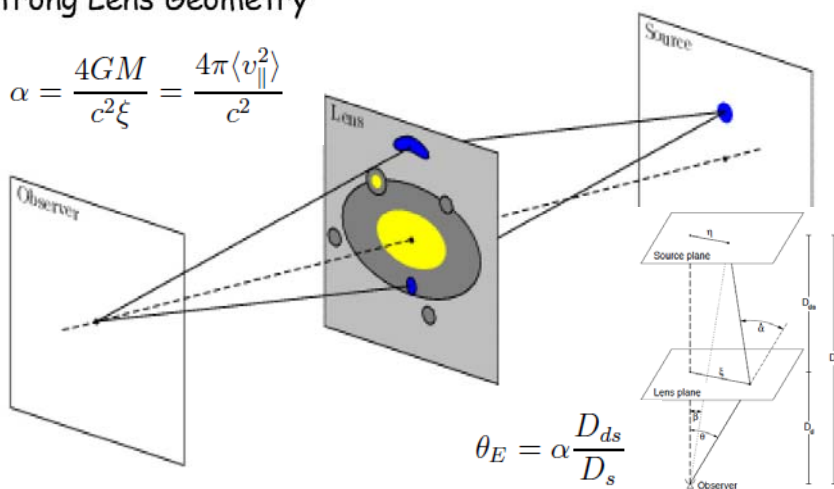
- **Strong Lensing:**  
nonlinear distortions
- **Weak Lensing:**  
linear distortions



# Gravitational Strong Lensing

Strong Lens Geometry

$$\alpha = \frac{4GM}{c^2\xi} = \frac{4\pi\langle v_{\parallel}^2 \rangle}{c^2}$$



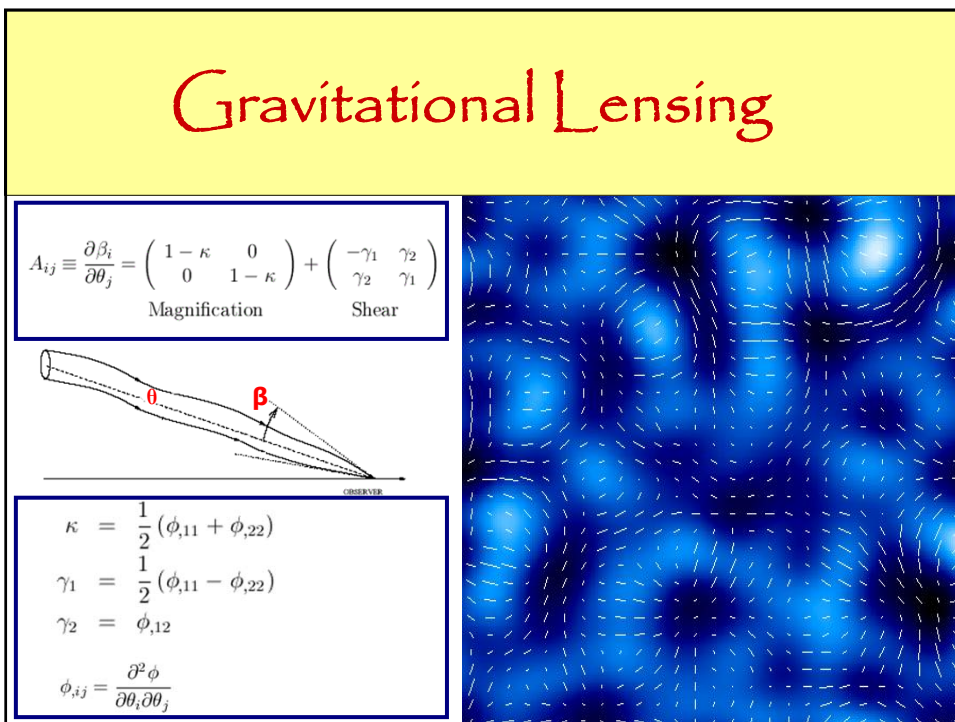
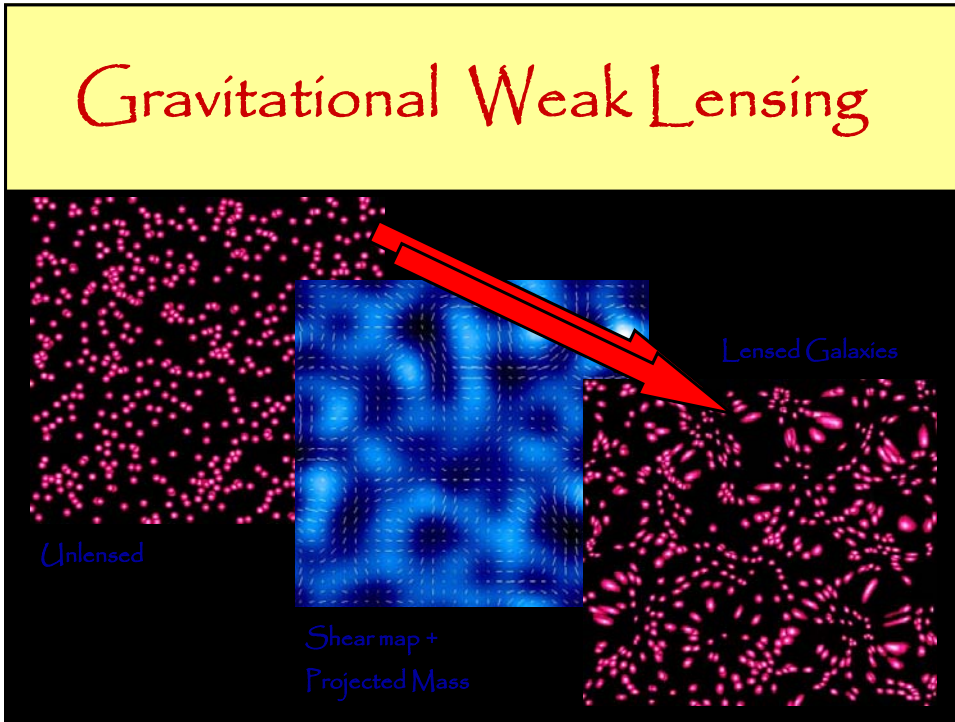
$$\theta_E = \alpha \frac{D_{ls}}{D_s}$$

## Clusters: Gravitational Lensing



## Clusters: Gravitational Weak Lensing





## Gravitational Lensing

$$\kappa = \frac{1}{2}(\phi_{,11} + \phi_{,22})$$

$$\gamma_1 = \frac{1}{2}(\phi_{,11} - \phi_{,22})$$

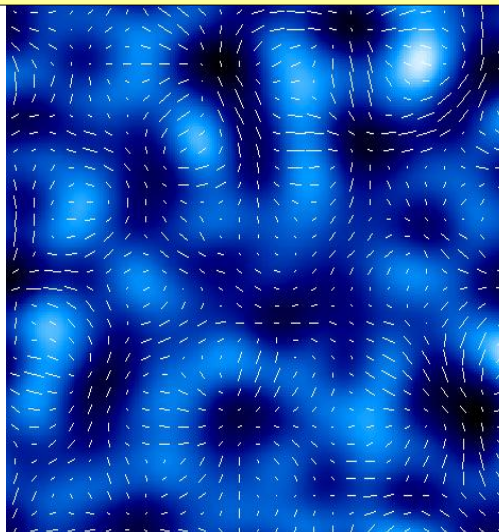
$$\gamma_2 = \phi_{,12}$$

$$\phi_{,ij} = \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial \theta_i \partial \theta_j}$$



Lensing Potential  
related to  
Peculiar Gravitational Potential

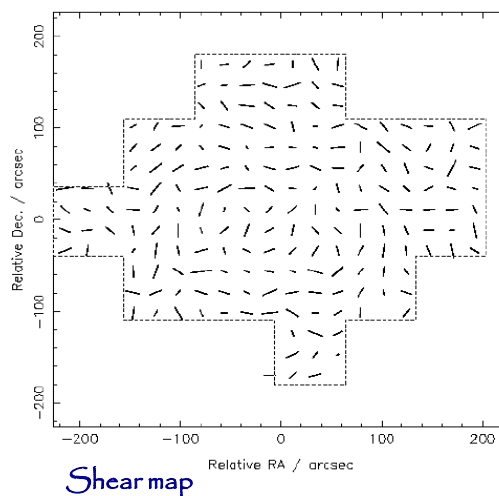
$$\phi(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{2}{c^2} \int_0^r dr' \Phi(r') \left( \frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{r'} \right)$$



## Clusters: Gravitational Lensing

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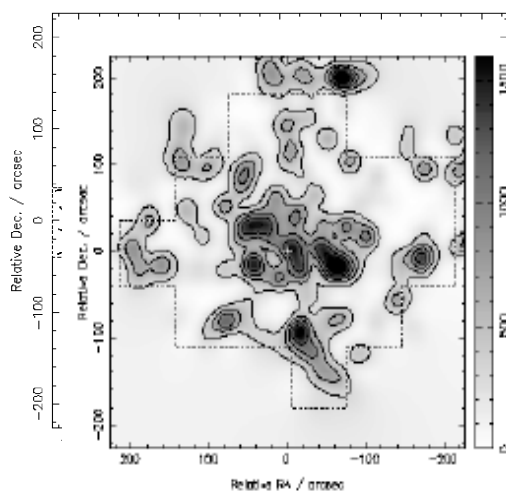
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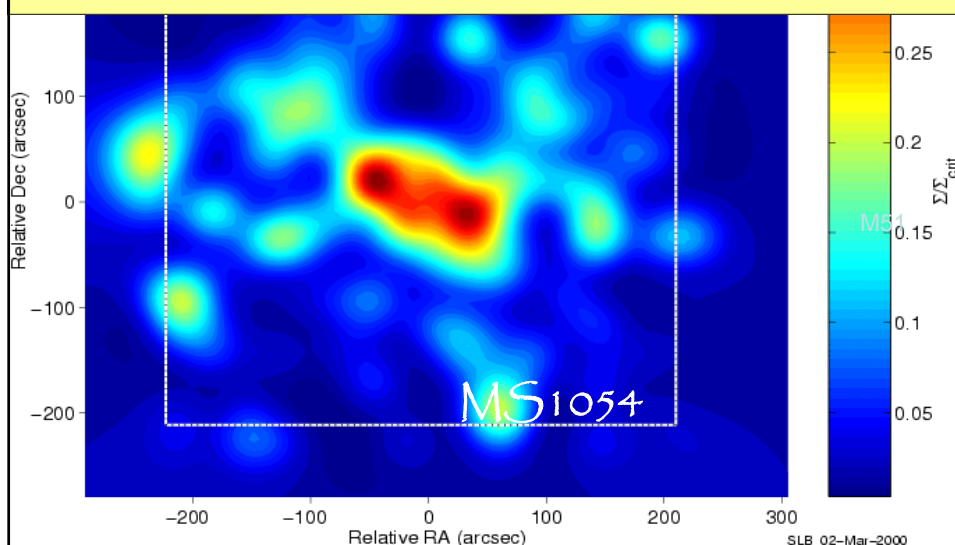
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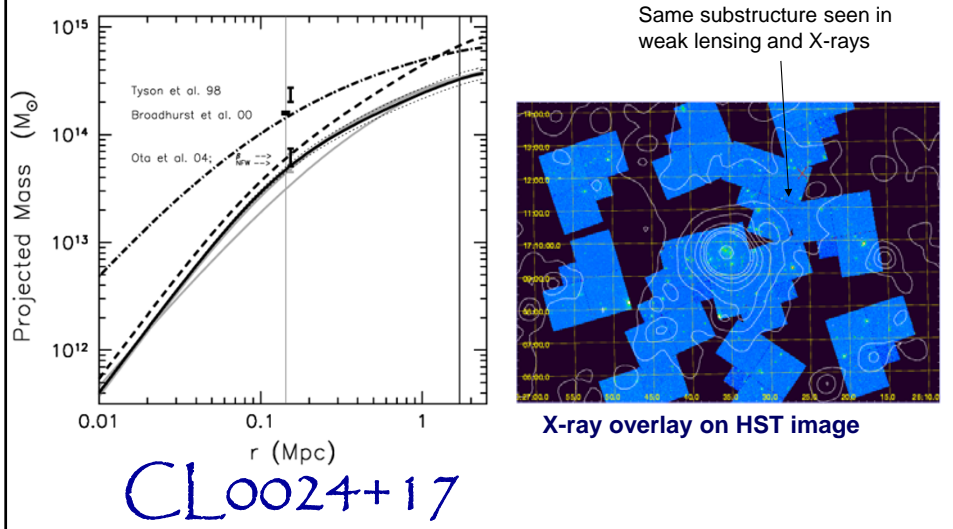


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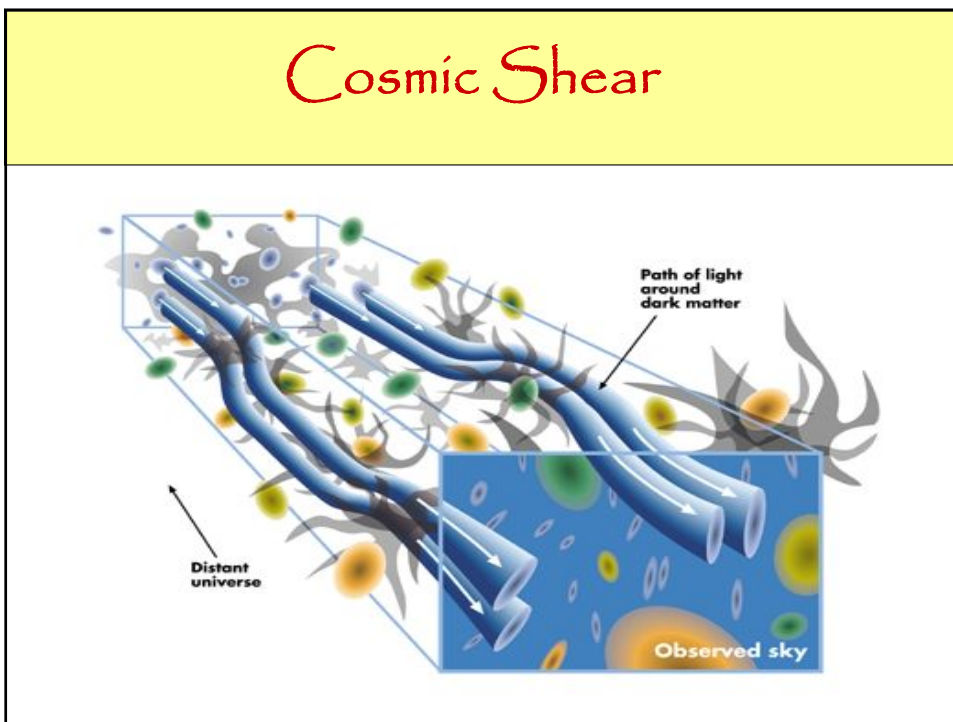




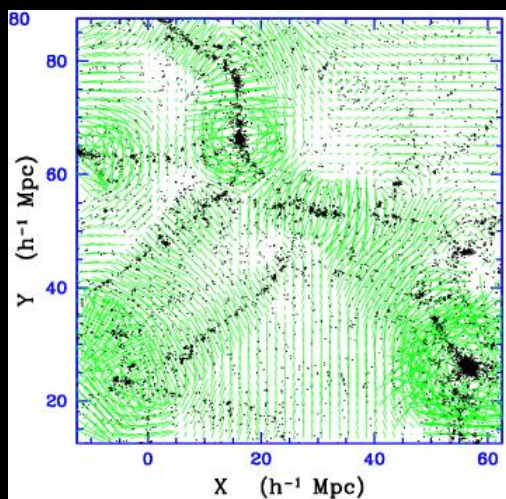
# Clusters: Comparison Lensing & X-ray



# Cosmic Shear



## the Web: Shear Distortions & Lensing



Large scale tidal shear distorts the paths of photons as they travel from their source to the observer.

This effect is known as "gravitational lensing". For moderate distortions, outside the Einstein radius ("weak lensing"),

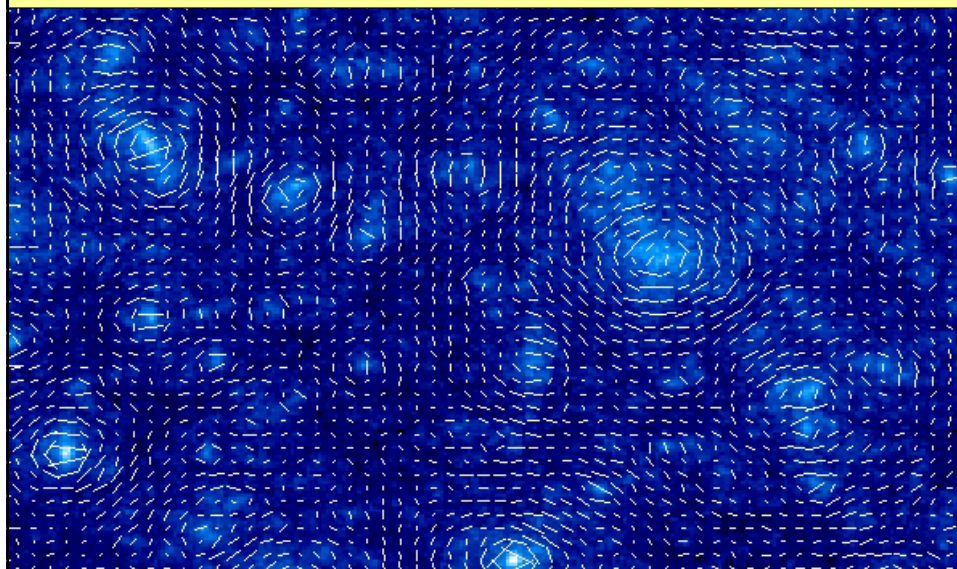
the distortions of galaxy shapes can be measured and inverted to yield the (projected) distorting mass distribution.

Clusters are outstanding, representing major potential wells.

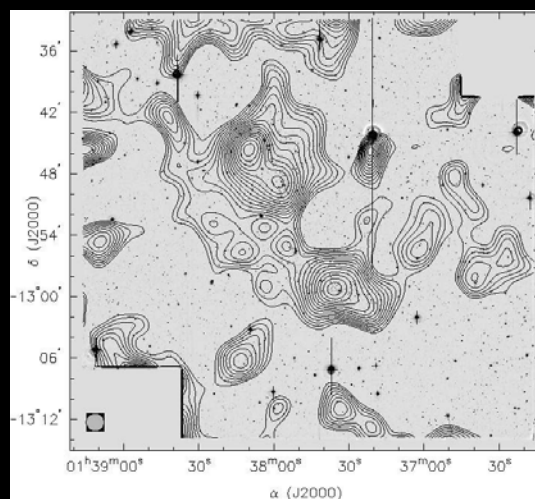
But also the generic Megaparsec matter distribution "lenses":

Cosmic Shear

## Cosmic Shear



## the Web: Shear Distortions & Lensing



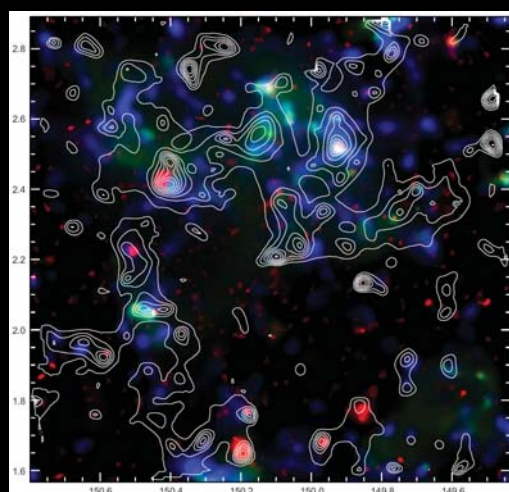
Although the cosmic shear due to a filament is considerably weaker than that of the clusters, recently

Dietrich, Schneider & Romano-Díaz (2004)

succeeded in mapping the filament between A222 and A333 on the basis of the measured lensing.

This shows that filaments are shown to be genuine dynamical entities.

## the Web: Shear Distortions & Lensing



First genuine map

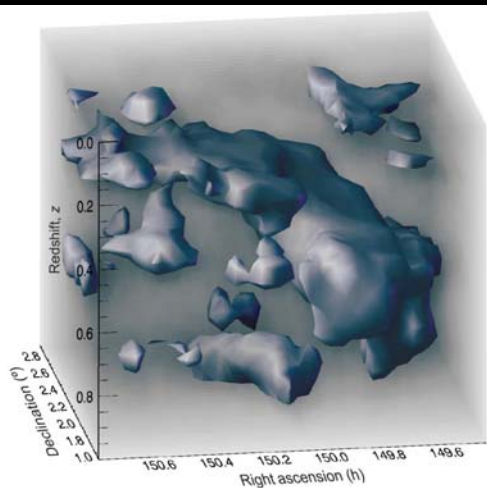
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